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# **Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates for U.S. Field Crops**

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## **Introduction**

Usual planting and harvesting dates for major field crops appear in this report. Information is arranged by States for major crops and by commodity for selected States. In addition, dot maps show major areas of production. The information was assembled by the National Agricultural Statistics Service, based on the best and latest information available. The same data for vegetables may be found in “Commercial Vegetables for Fresh Market and Processing in Principal Producing Areas, Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates” Agriculture Handbook No. 507, issued February 1977.

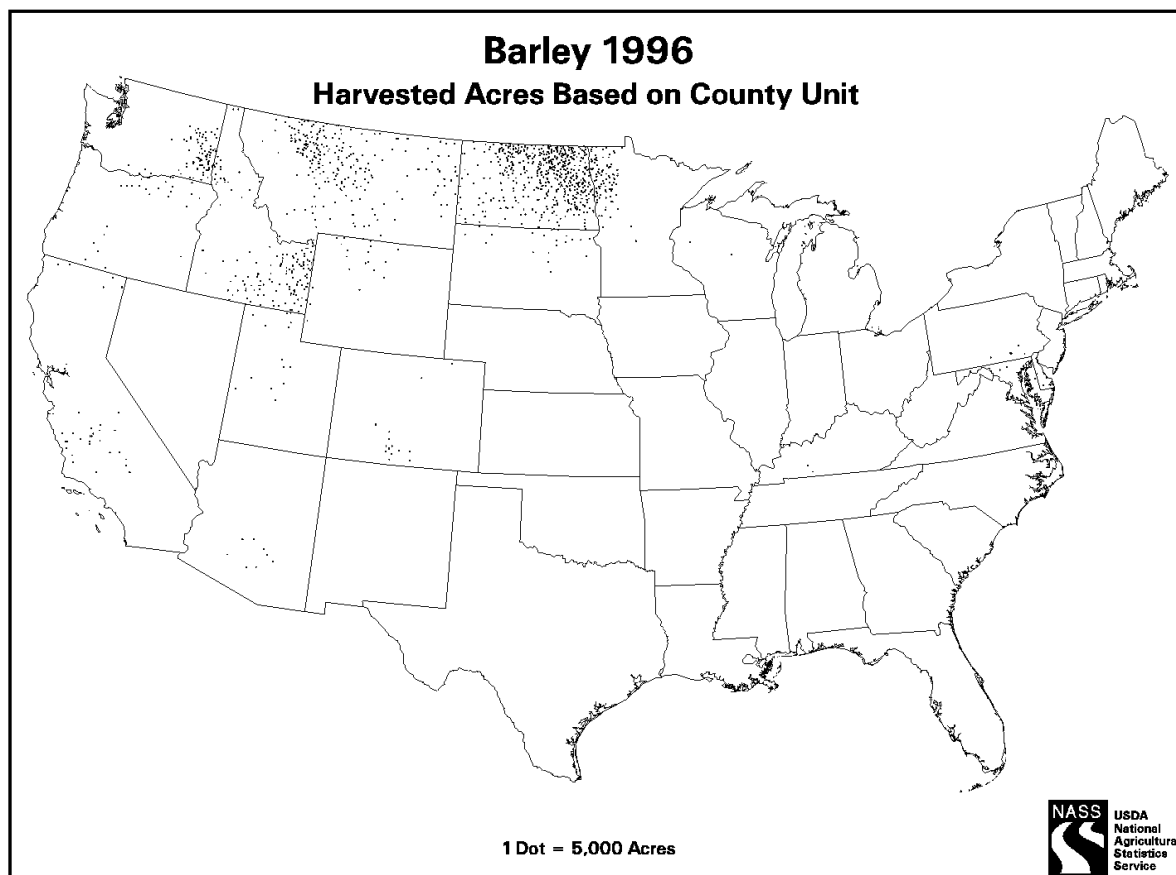
The dates shown indicate the periods in which the crops are planted and harvested in most years. They do not account for exceptionally early or late dates of scattered planting and harvesting, nor abnormal seasons caused by climatic or economic conditions. Beginning dates indicate when planting or harvesting is about 5 percent complete and ending dates when operations are about 95 percent complete.

The “usual planting dates” are the times when crops are usually planted in the fields. For transplanted crops, such as tobacco, the planting period refers to the time of setting plants in the field.

The “harvest dates” refer to the periods during which harvest of the crop actually occurs. They do not extend through the subsequent period in which some commodities are stored in the field after harvest.

## Barley

Nearly 7 million acres of barley were harvested in the United States (U.S.) during 1996. After reaching a peak of over 16 million acres in 1942, harvested acreage has declined to the same level as was harvested during the first decade of this century. Yields, however, have been steadily increasing, with a record high average yield of 62.5 bushels per acre recorded in 1992. North Dakota continued to be the largest barley-producing State, harvesting 27 percent (%) of the total U.S. production. North Dakota, along with Idaho and Montana--the second and third ranking States--accounted for nearly two-thirds of the 1996 barley production. Only minor acreages are grown in the Eastern and Southern States. Most barley is fed to livestock, the remainder of the crop is used for malting.



**Barley, Spring: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AK	6.9	May 5	May 10 - May 25	Jun 5	Aug 20	Sep 1 - Sep 25	Oct 5
CA 1/	200	Feb 20	Mar 1 - May 1	May 15	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Oct 1
CO	92	Mar 15	Apr 5 - May 5	May 15	Jul 10	Jul 25 - Sep 5	Sep 20
ID	730	Mar 24	Apr 7 - May 5	May 26	Jul 28	Aug 11 - Sep 8	Sep 29
KS 2/		Mar 1	Mar 5 - Apr 1	May 1	Jun 10	Jun 25 - Jul 1	Jul 10
MI	25	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 8	May 21	Jul 26	Aug 3 - Aug 19	Aug 31
MN	520	Apr 16	Apr 26 - May 27	Jun 5	Jul 26	Aug 8 - Sep 7	Sep 24
MT	1,200	Apr 7	Apr 21 - May 14	Jun 1	Aug 4	Aug 15 - Sep 6	Sep 28
NE	17	Mar 20	Mar 25 - Apr 10	Apr 18	Jul 18	Jul 20 - Jul 25	Jul 30
NV 1/	5	Apr 5	Apr 15 - May 15	May 20	Jul 20	Jul 25 - Aug 25	Sep 5
ND	2,600	Apr 21	May 2 - May 15	May 26	Jul 30	Aug 8 - Aug 23	Sep 6
OR	150	Sep 1	Mar 30 - May 15	May 15	Jul 5	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 1
SD	145	Apr 6	Apr 17 - May 5	May 20	Jul 12	Jul 23 - Aug 8	Aug 20
UT	100	Mar 20	Apr 1 - Apr 20	May 10	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 15	Sep 1
WA	440	Mar 1	Apr 1 - Apr 30	May 20	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Aug 30	Sep 15
WI	75	Apr 5	Apr 10 - May 10	May 15	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 20	Sep 1
WY	120	Mar 15	Mar 28 - Apr 28	May 28	Jul 29	Aug 8 - Aug 31	Sep 21

1/ Not published by season, "All Barley" acres included.

2/ Not published by planting season. An "All Barley" acreage estimate is published in the Barley, Fall table.

**Barley, Fall: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AZ	54	Nov 10	Dec 1 - Dec 30	Feb 1	May 15	May 30 - Jun 15	Jul 1
CA 1/		Sep 15	Oct 1 - Apr 15	Apr 30	May 15	Jun 1 - Jul 15	Aug 15
DE	23	Sep 27	Oct 9 - Oct 27	Nov 10	Jun 5	Jun 12 - Jun 28	Jul 3
KS 2/	11	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Nov 1	Jun 20	Jun 15 - Jul 1	Jul 5
KY	20	Sep 25	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Oct 20	Jun 1	Jun 5 - Jun 15	Jun 25
MD	49	Sep 17	Oct 1 - Oct 21	Nov 7	Jun 12	Jun 16 - Jun 28	Jul 8
NV 1/		Sep 5	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Oct 20	Jul 10	Jul 15 - Aug 15	Aug 25
NJ	3	Sep 14	Oct 1 - Oct 14	Oct 21	Jun 7	Jun 21 - Jul 10	Jun 14
NC	20	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 10	Dec 1	May 25	Jun 9 - Jun 30	Jul 25
OK	3	Sep 12	Oct 3 - Oct 29	Nov 21	Jun 6	Jun 17 - Jun 30	Jul 10
PA	75	Aug 25	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 25	Jun 20	Jun 25 - Jul 20	Aug 10
SC	4	Oct 7	Oct 20 - Nov 20	Dec 15	May 25	Jun 5 - Jun 24	Jul 18
TX	11	Sep 10	Oct 1 - Nov 15	Dec 1	May 20	Jun 5 - Jun 20	Jul 1
VA	75	Sep 10	Oct 5 - Oct 30	Nov 25	May 30	Jun 10 - Jun 25	Jul 15

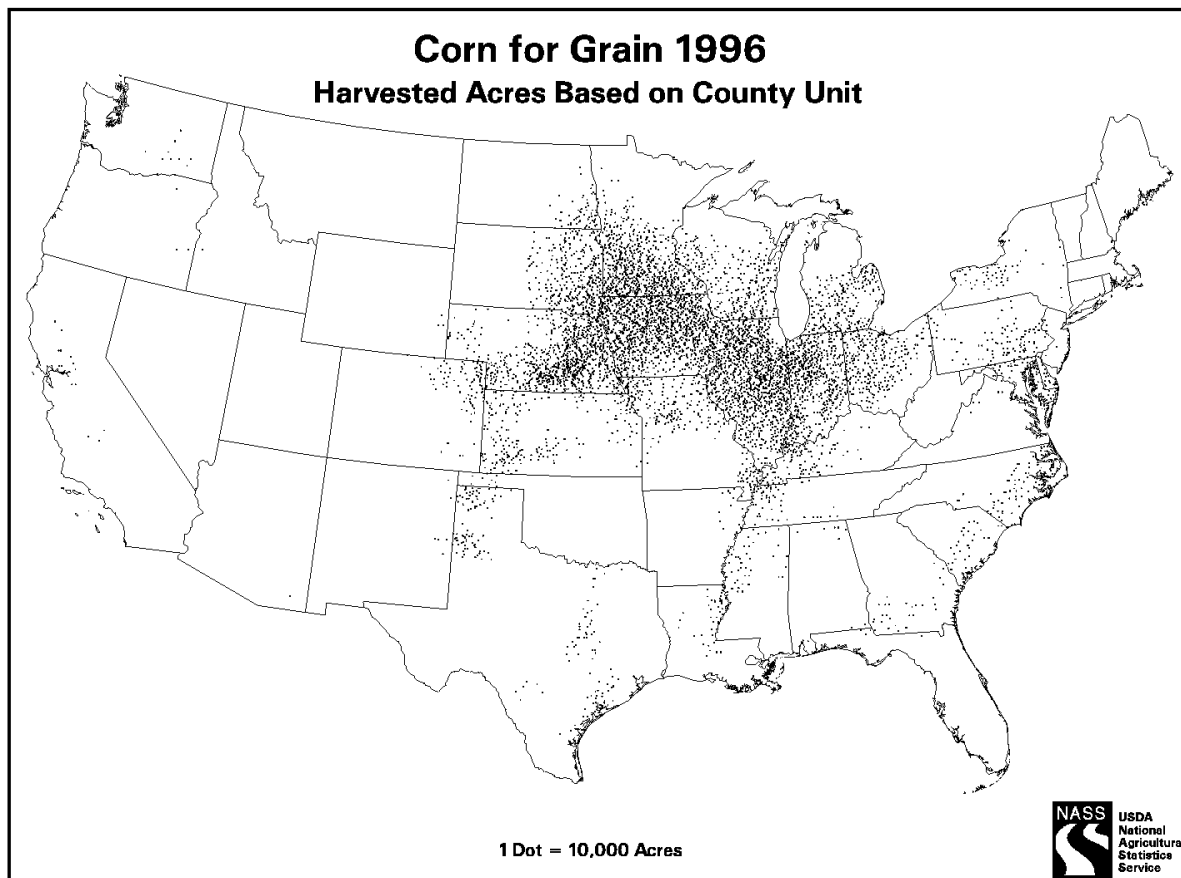
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## Corn

Corn was the leading U.S. crop in 1996, both in terms of value of production and acreage grown. Over 73 million acres of corn were harvested for grain. The acreage for grain comprised 92% of all corn planted. More than 80% of the corn-for-grain acreage lies in the Corn Belt States, with Iowa leading all States and Illinois ranking second. The largest acreage of record, 111 million acres, was harvested in 1917. Acreage decreased from the turn of the century, with the exception of wartime plantings, until the late-1960's. Since then, harvested acreage levels have generally ranged between 60-75 million acres.

The 1996 National grain yield was 127.1 bushels per acre the third highest yield on record. Yields have generally increased since the turn of the century, with more rapid increases occurring in more recent years. The highest corn yield on record, 138.6 bushels per acre, occurred in 1994. Corn grain production generally increased through the late-1980's. Erratic weather caused production to fluctuate significantly in the 1990's. In 1996, 9.3 billion bushels of corn were produced in the Nation, compared with 7.4 billion bushels in 1995 and the record 10.1 billion bushels in 1994.



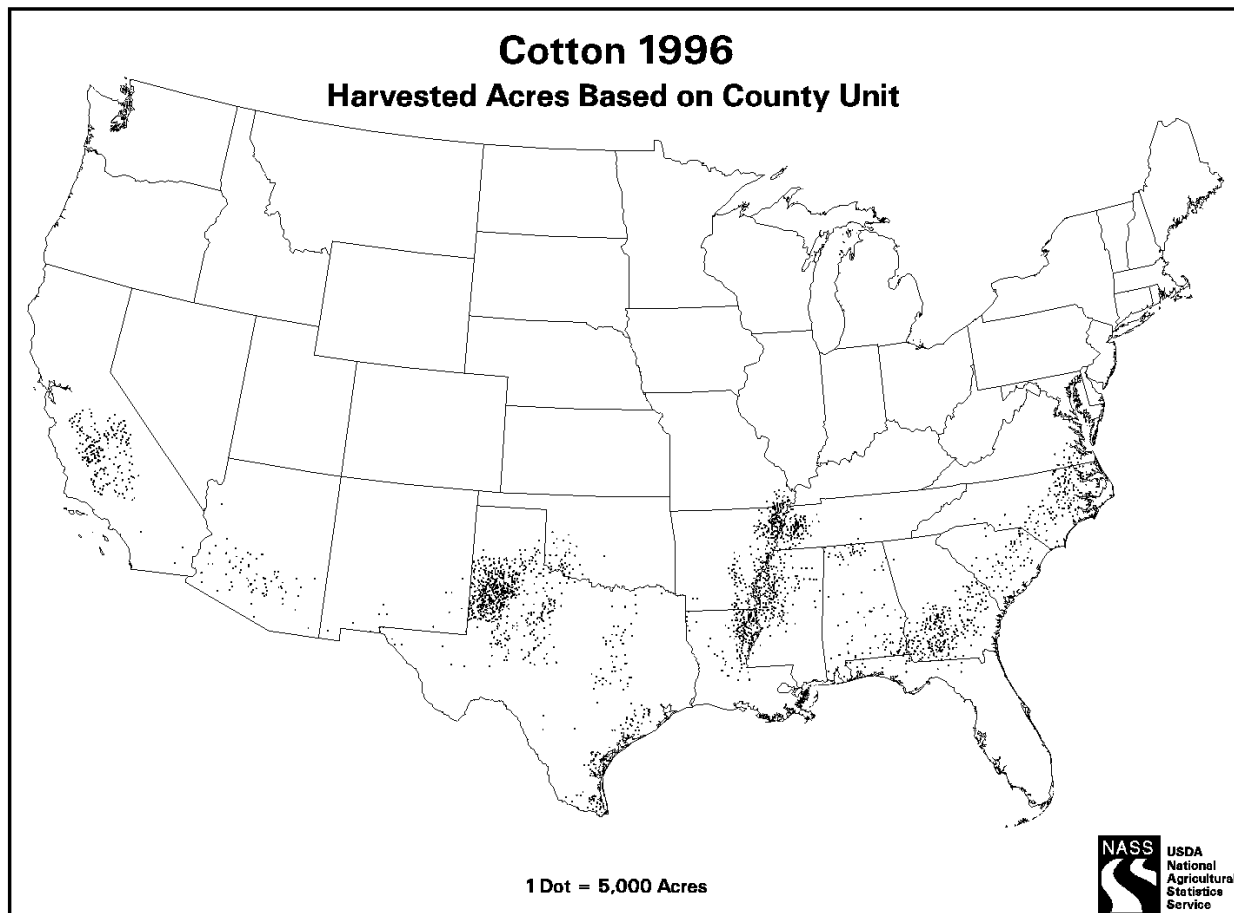
**Corn for Grain: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	280	Mar 5	Mar 25 - Apr 25	May 18	Jul 21	Aug 11 - Sep 20	Nov 2
AZ	40	Mar 15	Apr 1 - May 15	Jun 1	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Dec 1
AR	230	Apr 3	Apr 10 - May 18	May 25	Aug 16	Aug 27 - Sep 18	Oct 11
CA	220	Mar 15	Apr 1 - Jul 1	Jul 15	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Nov 15	Dec 1
CO	940	Apr 15	May 1 - May 15	Jun 1	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 10	Dec 1
DE	150	Apr 19	Apr 30 - May 16	May 28	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 15	Nov 5
FL	112	Mar 1	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Apr 25	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Sept 10	Oct 1
GA	525	Mar 1	Mar 20 - Apr 15	May 5	Jul 25	Aug 15 - Sep 5	Oct 10
ID	40	Apr 21	May 5 - May 26	Jun 9	Sep 29	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Nov 24
IL	10,800	Apr 22	Apr 30 - May 18	May 28	Sep 24	Oct 9 - Nov 3	Nov 19
IN	5,450	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 10	Sep 20	Oct 10 - Nov 25	Dec 10
IA	12,450	Apr 22	May 2 - May 16	Jun 3	Sep 17	Oct 7 - Oct 31	Nov 17
KS	2,350	Apr 10	Apr 25 - May 15	May 25	Sep 5	Sep 20 - Oct 20	Nov 10
KY	1,200	Apr 12	Apr 21 - May 18	Jun 8	Sep 8	Sep 22 - Oct 20	Nov 15
LA	523	Mar 10	Mar 19 - Apr 4	Apr 28	Jul 29	Aug 13 - Sep 1	Sep 16
MD	465	Apr 20	Apr 30 - May 20	Jun 7	Sep 9	Sep 22 - Oct 22	Nov 17
MI	2,300	May 1	May 10 - May 21	May 31	Oct 3	Oct 23 - Nov 17	Dec 3
MN	6,950	Apr 24	May 3 - May 22	Jun 8	Sep 29	Oct 15 - Nov 12	Nov 28
MS	605	Mar 27	Mar 31 - Apr 28	Jun 11	Aug 12	Sep 1 - Oct 6	Oct 22
MO	2,650	Apr 5	Apr 20 - May 25	Jun 10	Sep 1	Sep 20 - Oct 30	Dec 1
MT	15	Apr 19	May 1 - May 25	Jun 8	Sep 15	Sep 20 - Oct 5	Oct 15
NE	8,300	Apr 21	May 3 - May 19	Jun 1	Sep 21	Oct 11 - Nov 6	Dec 1
NJ	94	May 7	May 28 - Jun 20	Jun 28	Oct 1	Oct 30 - Nov 10	Nov 28
NM	84	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Sep 25	Oct 1 - Oct 30	Nov 20
NY	630	Apr 25	May 5 - May 25	Jun 5	Oct 10	Oct 20 - Nov 20	Dec 1
NC	900	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 25	May 20	Aug 20	Sep 10 - Oct 7	Nov 7
ND	720	May 3	May 13 - May 26	Jun 5	Sep 29	Oct 10 - Oct 27	Nov 9
OH	2,750	Apr 22	May 1 - May 30	Jun 12	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 14	Nov 25
OK	170	Mar 25	Apr 18 - May 4	May 15	Aug 25	Sep 8 - Oct 1	Oct 20
OR	33	Apr 20	May 20 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Oct 10	Nov 1 - Nov 20	Dec 15
PA	1070	Apr 30	May 10 - May 25	Jun 15	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 20	Dec 10
SC	380	Mar 10	Mar 20 - Apr 20	May 15	Jul 25	Aug 20 - Sep 25	Oct 10
SD	3,700	May 1	May 9 - May 25	Jun 11	Sep 24	Oct 10 - Nov 6	Nov 30
TN	680	Apr 5	Apr 15 - May 1	Jun 1	Sep 1	Sep 20 - Oct 15	Nov 10
TX	1,800	Feb 28	Mar 20 - Apr 29	May 15	Jul 16	Aug 6 - Sep 24	Nov 1
UT	21	Apr 15	Apr 30 - May 20	Jun 5	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Dec 10
VA	310	Apr 5	Apr 20 - May 20	Jun 5	Aug 25	Sep 5 - Oct 25	Nov 20
WA	120	Apr 15	May 1 - May 20	Jun 5	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 20	Dec 1
WV	40	Apr 25	May 1 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 25	Nov 25
WI	3,000	Apr 25	May 1 - Jun 5	Jun 10	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 15	Nov 30
WY	50	Apr 22	May 3 - May 21	Jun 10	Sep 24	Oct 11 - Nov 9	Dec 5

## Cotton

Cotton is grown in the southern United States, mostly south of the 36th parallel, with concentrations in the Texas high plains, the irrigated valleys of Arizona and California, and the Mississippi Delta. In recent years, Georgia and North Carolina have experienced large increases in cotton acreage. Unlike in the tropics where cotton is grown as a perennial, U. S. cotton is grown as an annual from seed planted each year. Most U. S. cotton is Upland cotton, which usually has a staple length of 1 to 1 1/4 inches. Some extra-long staple American Pima cotton, which has a staple length of 1 1/2 inches or longer, is grown in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

Cotton acreage increased until 1925, when nearly 46 million acres were planted, then generally declined until the 1960's. Since then, acreage has ranged between 9 and 15 million acres. In recent years, acreage has been on an upswing with growers planting 15 million acres in 1996. Cotton yields have trended upward with a record high yield of 709 pounds per acre of cotton harvested in 1996. With the increases in yield, cotton production has reached the same levels that were produced in the 1920's and 1930's when acreage was at its peak. A record cotton production was set in 1994, surpassing the previous highest producing years of 1937 and 1926.



**Cotton: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	520	Apr 12	Apr 24 - May 24	Jun 6	Sep 22	Sep 20 - Oct 20	Dec 15
AZ	315	Mar 15	Apr 1 - Apr 30	May 15	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Nov 10	Dec 25
AR	1,000	Apr 24	May 1 - May 24	May 31	Sep 22	Oct 6 - Oct 30	Nov 24
CA	1,000	Apr 1	Apr 15 - Apr 30	May 15	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 1	Nov 15
FL	99	Apr 1	Apr 15 - May 15	Jun 15	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Dec 1
GA	1,340	Apr 20	Apr 25 - May 25	Jun 5	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 15	Dec 15
LA	890	Apr 17	Apr 26 - May 16	Jun 2	Sep 15	Sep 28 - Oct 20	Nov 13
MS	1,120	Apr 14	Apr 28 - May 28	Jun 9	Sep 15	Oct 6 - Nov 3	Nov 17
MO	390	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 1	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Oct 30	Nov 20
NM	59	Apr 10	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Oct 10	Oct 25 - Nov 30	Dec 20
NC	721	Apr 21	May 1 - May 20	Jun 8	Sep 27	Oct 7 - Nov 15	Dec 15
OK	290	May 6	May 20 - Jun 12	Jun 29	Oct 11	Nov 4 - Nov 29	Dec 15
SC	284	Apr 24	May 1 - May 20	Jun 1	Sep 23	Oct 15 - Nov 13	Dec 5
TN	540	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 5	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 1	Nov 25
TX	5,700	Mar 10	May 5 - Jun 6	Jun 30	Aug 10	Oct 1 - Dec 2	Dec 28
VA	103	Apr 10	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Sep 30	Oct 25 - Nov 25	Dec 10



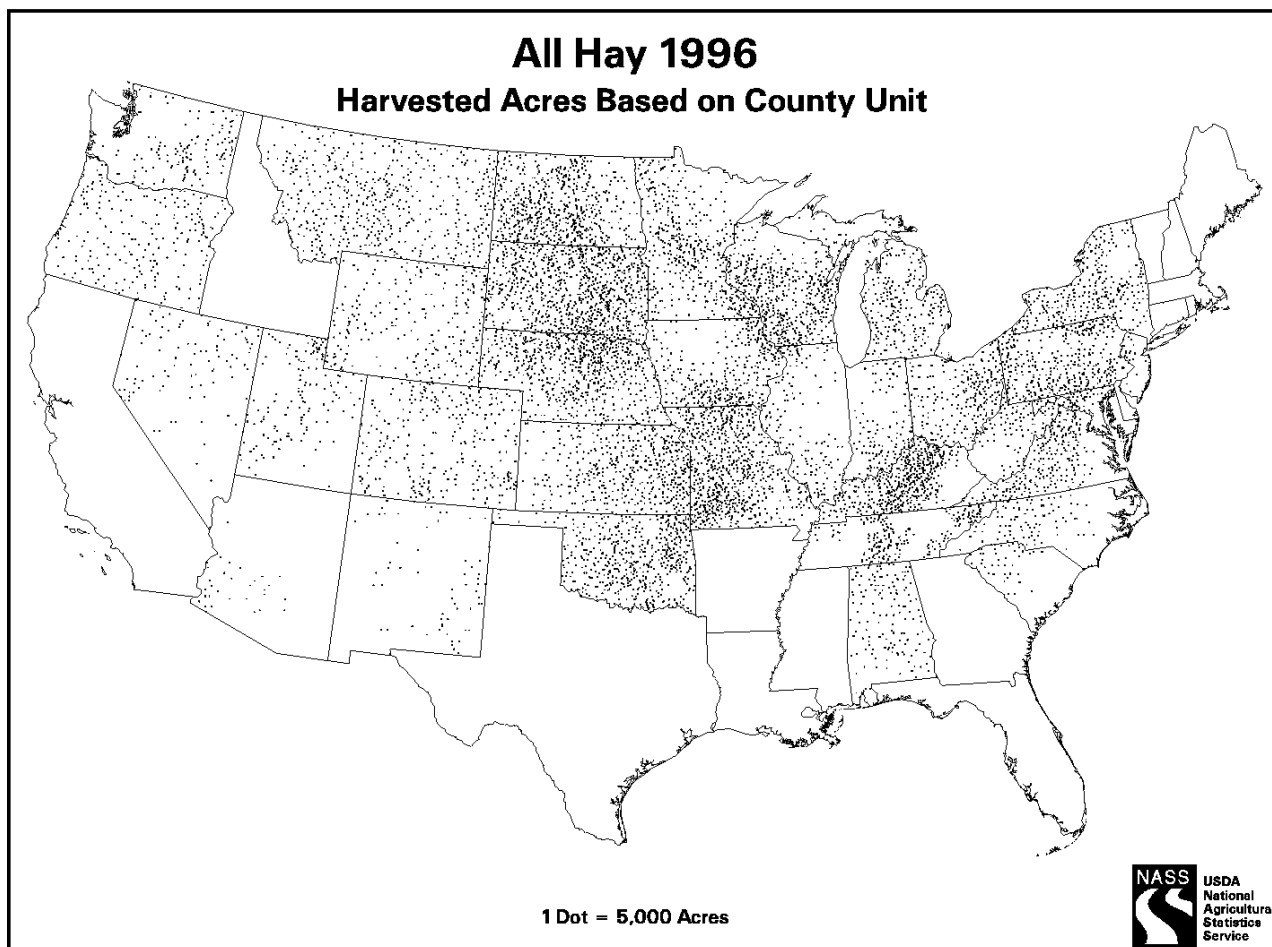
## Alfalfa Hay

Alfalfa hay, which includes alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures, comprised 40% of the total acreage harvested for hay in 1996. Alfalfa is common in all regions except the Southeast, where the humid climate and sandy soils do not favor production. In most areas, the crop is harvested two or three times a year.

There were over 24 million acres of alfalfa hay harvested in the United States during 1996. California was the leading alfalfa hay producing State, harvesting 6.6 million tons from 940,000 acres in 1996. However, California does not publish county estimates for hay and are not represented on the maps below. The 1996 alfalfa hay yield of 3.27 tons per acre was down from the record yield of 3.45 tons per acre set in 1995. Alfalfa hay production increased steadily until the 1980's, when record production of nearly 92 million tons was set in 1986. Production has since declined slightly. Growers harvested over 79 million tons in 1996.

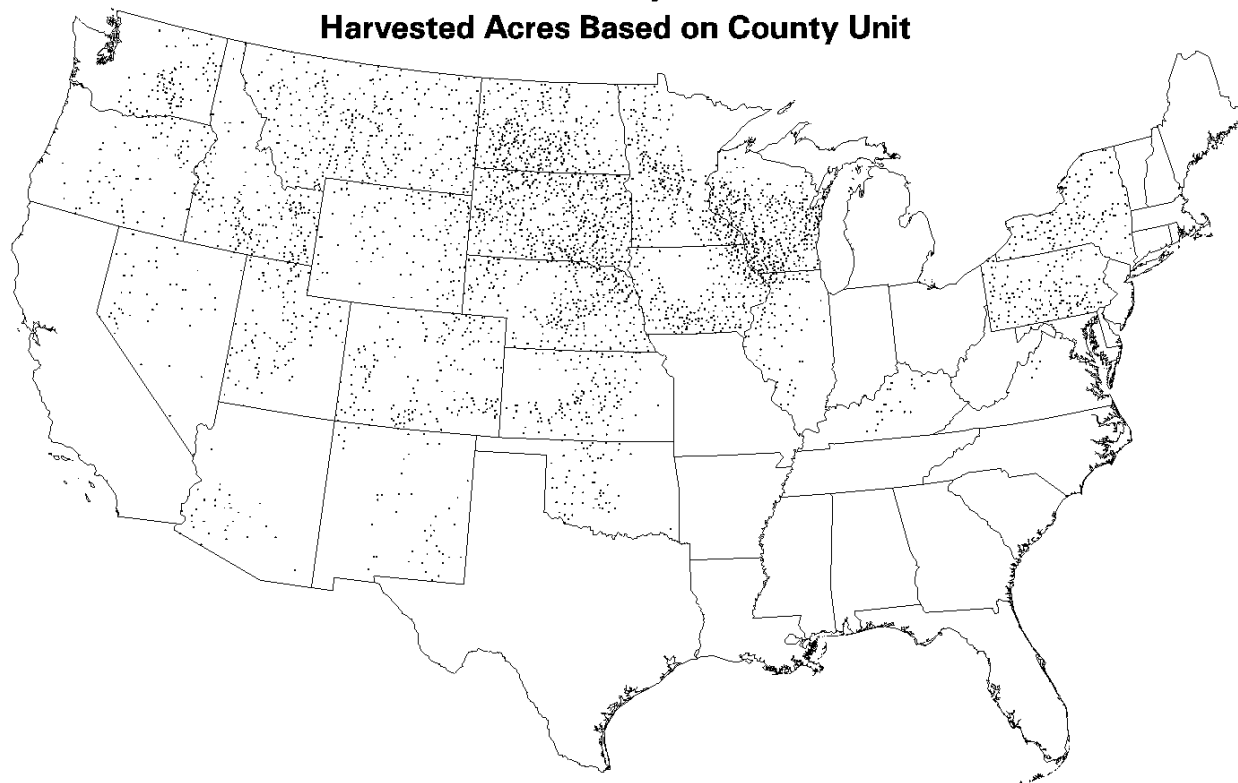
## Other Hay

In those States which estimate Alfalfa hay, Other hay includes all crops harvested for hay except alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures. Other hay includes alfalfa in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and South Carolina. Crops grown for hay include clover-timothy mixtures, bermuda grass, wild grasses (prairie hay), and small grains among others. There were nearly 37 million acres of Other hay harvested in 1996. Texas, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Kansas lead the Nation in Other hay production during 1996.



# Alfalfa Hay 1996

## Harvested Acres Based on County Unit



1 Dot = 5,000 Acres



# Hay, Alfalfa: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State

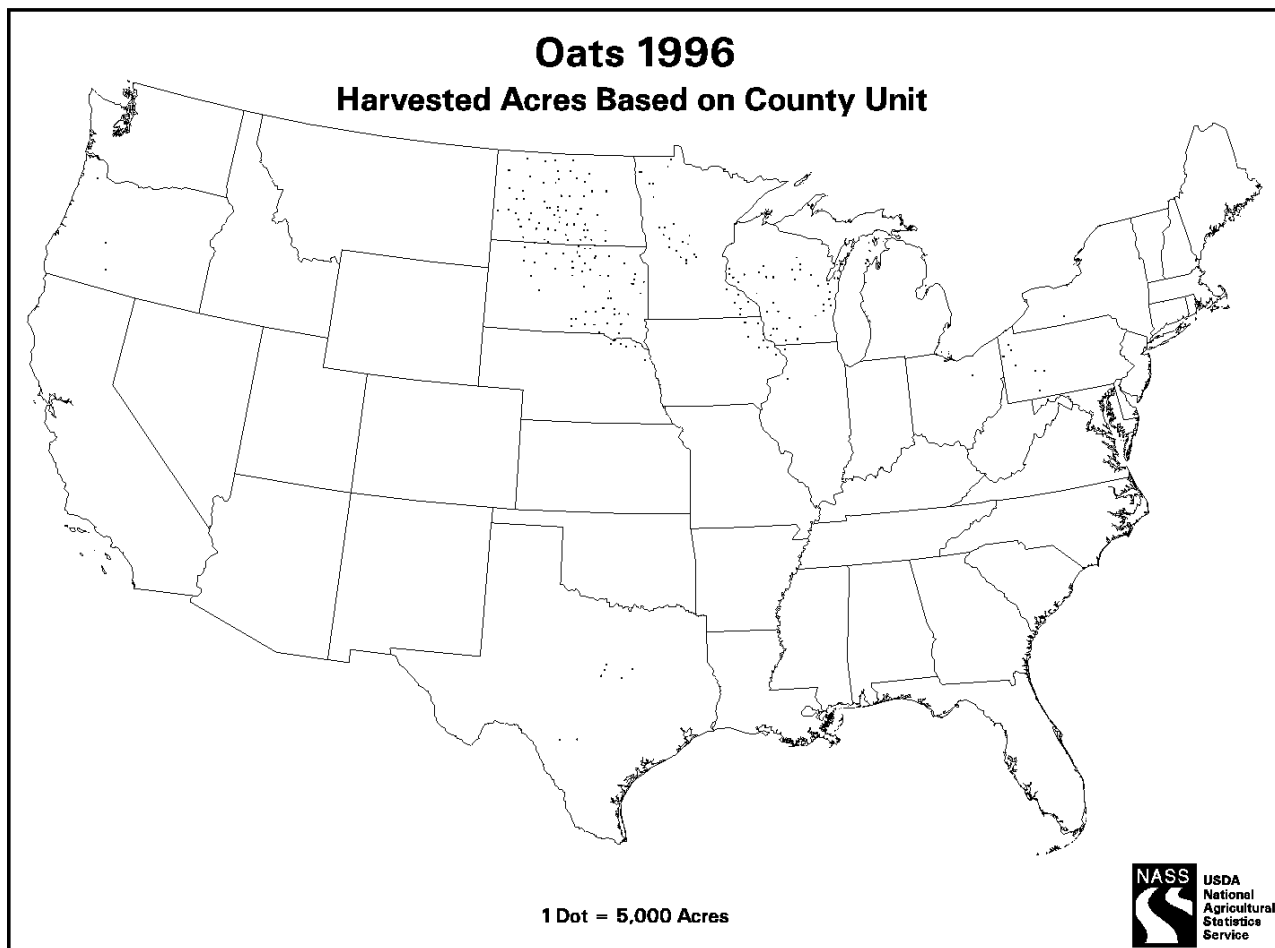
State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AZ	160				Feb 15		Dec 1
CA	940				Mar 1		Nov 5
CO	860				May 25		Oct 15
DE	7				May 13		Nov 19
ID	1,000				May 22		Oct 20
IL	600				May 13		Sep 25
IN	425				May 15		Sep 20
IA	1,200				May 26		Sep 27
KS	800				May 10		Oct 10
KY	300				May 5	May 15 - Sep 1	Sep 15
MD	60				May 12		Nov 30
MI	1,050				May 31	Jun 15 - Sep 11	Oct 14
MN	1,475				May 31		Sep 30
MO	480				May 15		Sep 15
MT	1,700				Jun 13		Sep 24
NE	1,400				May 10		Oct 5
NV	240				May 20		Oct 15
NJ	25				May 14		Oct 15
NM	255				May 1		Oct 20
NY	640				May 25		Nov 1
NC	15				Apr 30		Nov 17
ND	1,700				Jun 12		Sep 6
OH	700				May 20		Sep 30
OK	390				Apr 23		Oct 13
OR	460				May 5		Sep 20
PA	750				May 15		Nov 15
SD	2,500				Jun 1	Jun 13 - Aug 19	Sep 1
TN	40				May 1		Oct 1
TX	150				Apr 15		Sep 20
UT	545				Jun 1		Oct 25
VA	130				May 1		Oct 20
WA	490				May 15	Jun 1 - Sep 5	Oct 1
WV	40				May 25		Sep 25
WI	2,100				Jun 1		Sep 30
WY	620				Jun 11		Oct 1

**Hay, Other: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	730				May 10	Jun 20 - Jul 20	Oct 15
AK	20.2				Jun 15	Jul 1 - Sep 1	Oct 10
AZ	19				Feb 15		Dec 1
CA	510				May 15		Oct 1
CO	580				Jun 25		Sep 25
CT	65				May 20		Oct 30
DE	8				May 10		Nov 8
FL	240				May 10	Jun 1 - Jul 30	Nov 20
GA	600				May 1		Oct 15
ID	280				Jun 1		Sep 10
IL	400				May 20		Jul 15
IN	300				Jun 10		Aug 20
KS	1,700				May 25	Jun 1 - Sep 1	Sep 10
KY	2,100				May 15		Oct 10
LA	310				Apr 26		Oct 22
ME	175				May 30		Oct 20
MD	160				May 10		Nov 19
MA	80				May 20		Oct 30
MN	750				Jun 5		Aug 30
MS	800				May 10		Oct 20
MO	3,200				May 20		Sep 10
MT	900				Jun 15		Sep 1
NE	1,850				Jun 5		Sep 20
NV	250				Jun 15		Sep 15
NH	55				May 25		Oct 25
NJ	95				Jun 7		Oct 15
NM	100				May 1		Oct 20
NY	870				May 25		Oct 15
NC	525				Apr 30		Nov 17
ND	1,200				Jun 18		Aug 26
OH	500				May 23		Oct 4
OK	2,300				Apr 23		Aug 20
OR	610				Jun 5		Sep 1
PA	1,130				May 30		Sep 25
RI	6				May 20		Oct 30
SC	280				May 15		Nov 13
SD	1,800				Jun 15		Sep 1
TN	1,750				May 1	Jun 29 - Aug 18	Oct 1
TX	4,200				May 1		Sep 30
UT	160				Jul 10		Aug 25
VT	185				May 30		Oct 20
VA	1,150				May 25		Oct 1
WA	310				May 15	Jun 1 - Aug 20	Sep 15
WV	530				Jun 1		Oct 10
WI	400				Jun 10		Sep 30
WY	600				Jun 19		Sep 2

## Oats

Production and acreage of oats have declined steadily since 1945 when a record of 1.5 billion bushels were produced on 42 million acres. In 1996, only 155 million bushels were harvested from 2.7 million acres. This was the lowest production and acreage since records were first kept in 1866. Over half of the grain crop is grown in South Dakota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa. The crop is grown less extensively throughout the Corn Belt, Great Lakes States, and the Plains. Relatively few oats are produced in the Southern and Western States. About half of the planted acreage is harvested for grain and the other half is harvested for hay.



**Oats, Spring: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AK	.7	May 5	May 15 - Jun 1	Jun 5	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 10
CA 1/		Feb 20	Mar 1 - May 15	May 30	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Oct 1
CO	35	Mar 15	Apr 5 - May 5	May 25	Jul 10	Jul 25 - Sep 5	Sep 30
ID	25	Mar 31	Apr 14 - May 19	Jun 2	Jul 21	Aug 11 - Sep 8	Sep 29
IL	70	Mar 25	Apr 8 - Apr 23	May 8	Jul 14	Jul 24 - Aug 3	Aug 11
IN	25	Apr 1	Apr 5 - Apr 25	May 10	Jul 10	Jul 15 - Aug 5	Aug 10
IA	190	Mar 24	Apr 4 - Apr 23	May 17	Jul 3	Jul 15 - Jul 29	Aug 9
KS	80	Feb 20	Mar 5 - Apr 1	Apr 15	Jul 10	Jul 15 - Aug 1	Aug 10
ME	28	May 7	May 14 - May 26	Jun 9	Aug 10	Aug 23 - Sep 15	Oct 10
MI	60	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 8	May 21	Jul 26	Aug 3 - Aug 19	Aug 31
MN	270	Apr 10	Apr 25 - May 14	May 26	Jul 24	Aug 1 - Aug 26	Sep 10
MO	29	Mar 1	Mar 15 - Apr 20	Apr 30	Jun 20	Jul 1 - Jul 25	Aug 1
MT	50	Apr 10	Apr 26 - May 18	Jun 3	Aug 6	Aug 16 - Sep 6	Sep 26
NE	105	Mar 24	Apr 2 - Apr 27	May 9	Jul 4	Jul 15 - Aug 2	Aug 12
NY	75	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 30	May 15	Aug 1	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 10
ND	380	Apr 22	May 2 - May 17	May 28	Aug 2	Aug 11 - Aug 27	Sep 10
OH	90	Apr 3	Apr 15 - May 10	May 24	Jul 16	Jul 26 - Aug 12	Aug 22
OR 2/	35	Sep 15	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Apr 15	Jul 10	Aug 10 - Aug 20	Sep 1
PA	135	Apr 15	Apr 15 - May 10	May 25	Jul 20	Jul 25 - Aug 20	Aug 30
SD	360	Apr 4	Apr 15 - May 4	May 21	Jul 10	Jul 21 - Aug 7	Aug 20
UT	9	Mar 20	Apr 10 - May 5	Jun 1	Jul 25	Aug 15 - Sep 10	Sep 30
WA	14	Mar 5	Mar 10 - Apr 10	Apr 20	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Aug 30	Sep 10
WV	3	Apr 1	Apr 10 - May 10	Jun 1	Jul 1	Jul 20 - Aug 15	Sep 1
WI	300	Apr 1	Apr 10 - May 20	May 25	Jul 20	Jul 30 - Aug 25	Sep 5
WY	32	Mar 28	Apr 15 - May 14	Jun 1	Jul 29	Aug 15 - Sep 10	Sep 26

1/ Not published by planting season. An "All Oat" acreage estimate is published in the Oat, Fall table.

2/ Estimate not published by season, "All Oat" acres included.

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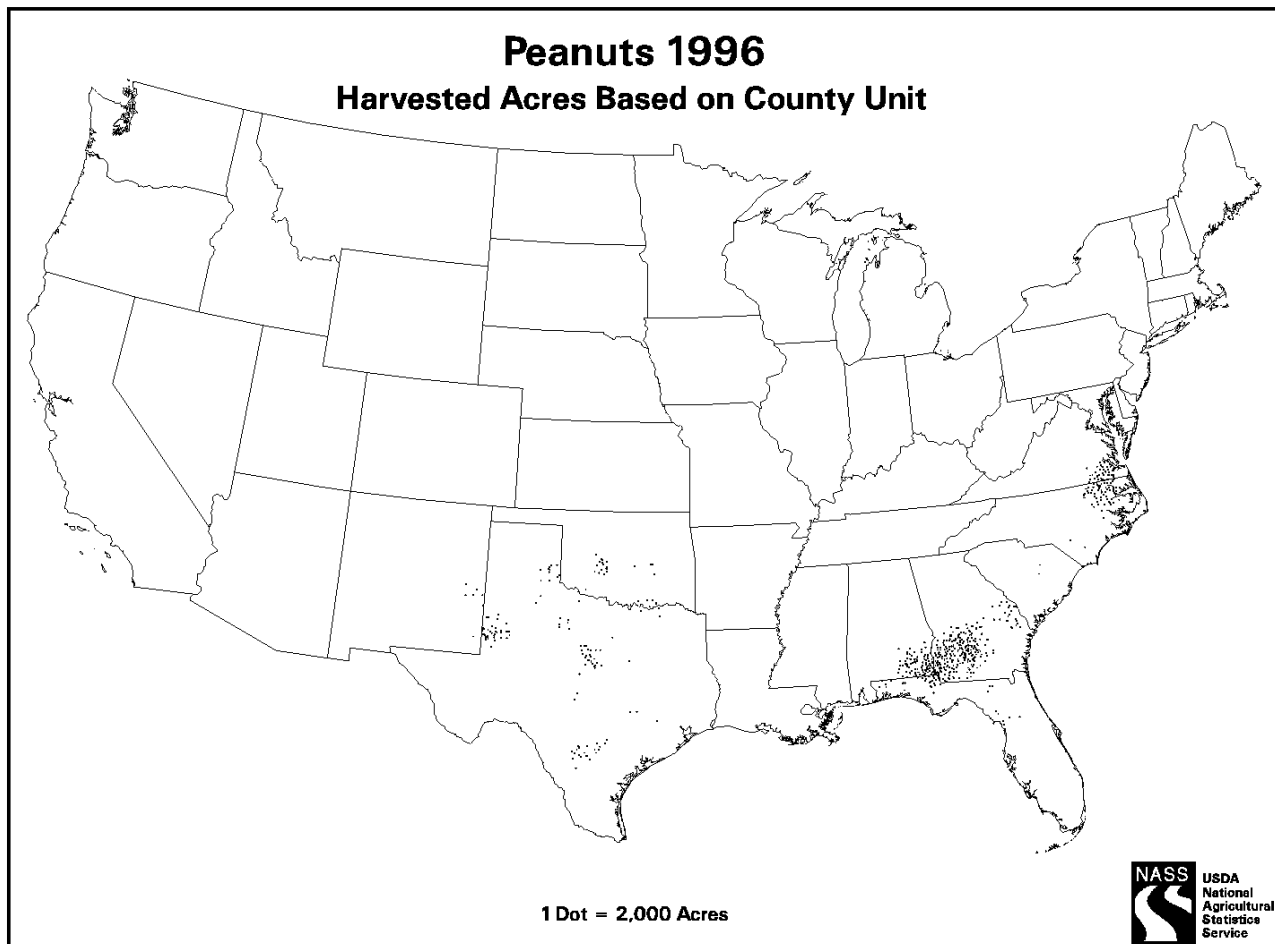
State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AR	18	Oct 2	Oct 21 - Nov 21	Nov 26	Jun 8	Jun 15 - Jun 25	Jul 5
CA 1/	30	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Mar 1	Mar 15	Jun 15	Jul 15 - Sep 1	Sep 1
GA	35	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 20	Dec 10	May 20	Jun 1 - Jun 20	Jun 25
NC	20	Sep 15	Oct 15 - Nov 24	Dec 10	May 28	Jun 9 - Jul 3	Jul 20
OK	18	Sep 12	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Nov 30	Jun 6	Jun 17 - Jul 2	Jul 12
SC	30	Sep 23	Oct 15 - Nov 20	Dec 15	May 25	Jun 3 - Jun 20	Jul 3
TX	100	Sep 10	Sep 29 - Nov 14	Dec 21	May 18	Jun 5 - Jul 5	Jul 25

1/ Estimate not published by season, "All Oat" acres included.

## Peanuts

Peanut production is confined mostly to the South. There are three main producing areas: the Virginia-Carolina area, where Virginia type peanuts predominate; the Southeast where the crop is mainly Runners and Virginia types; and the Southwest, where the acreage is planted to Runner and Spanish types of peanuts. Valencias, a roasting type, account for about 1 percent of U.S. production and are grown mainly in New Mexico and Texas.

The leading producing peanut States in 1996 were Georgia, Texas, Alabama, and North Carolina. A total of 1.4 million acres of peanuts were planted in 1996. Planted acreage peaked at over 5 million acres during World War II, but then fell below 2 million acres in 1952. Farmers have planted between 1.5-2.0 million since the early 1950's. Yields and production improved steadily from the 1950's until 1980, but have leveled off since. In 1996, yield averaged 2,619 pounds per acre.



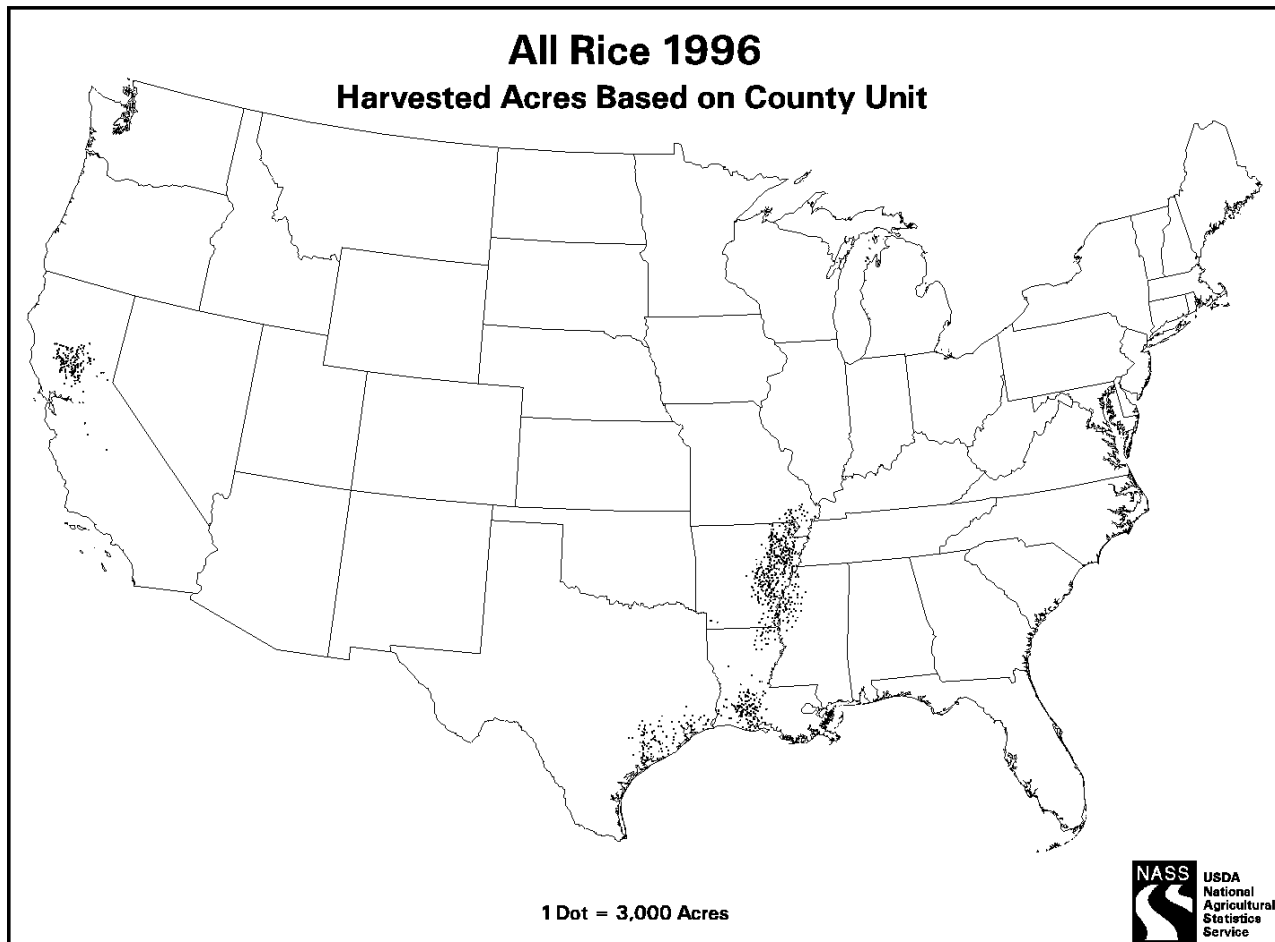
**Peanuts: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	191	Apr 16	Apr 25 - May 25	Jun 6	Sep 4	Sep 22 - Oct 22	Nov 1
FL	82	Apr 1	Apr 15 - May 1	May 15	Aug 15	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Nov 15
GA	533	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 20	Jun 10	Sep 5	Sep 10 - Oct 15	Nov 1
NM	16.5	May 10	May 15 - May 25	Jun 1	Oct 1	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Nov 10
NC	125	Apr 28	May 8 - May 28	Jun 2	Sep 24	Oct 8 - Oct 29	Nov 14
OK	81	May 7	May 19 - Jun 14	Jun 29	Sep 29	Oct 14 - Nov 8	Nov 28
SC	10.5	Apr 20	Apr 25 - May 15	Jun 5	Sep 8	Oct 2 - Nov 1	Nov 10
TX	265	May 7	May 29 - Jun 31	Jul 18	Sep 7	Oct 10 - Nov 22	Dec 20
VA	76	Apr 20	May 5 - May 20	May 25	Sep 15	Oct 5 - Oct 25	Nov 5



## Rice

U.S. rice production is mainly confined to three areas: the coastal prairie region of the southwestern Louisiana and southeastern Texas; eastern Arkansas, southeastern Missouri, and northwestern Mississippi; and the central valleys of California (particularly the Sacramento Valley). The 1996 rice acreage covered just over 2.8 million acres. Rice plantings have steadily increased since the late 1800's. The peak planting year came in 1981 when over 3.8 million acres were planted. Yield and production have also steadily increased during this century. In 1996, a record 6,121 pounds of rice were harvested per acre, for a total production of over 171 million cwt. The record production, of 198 million cwt, occurred in 1994.

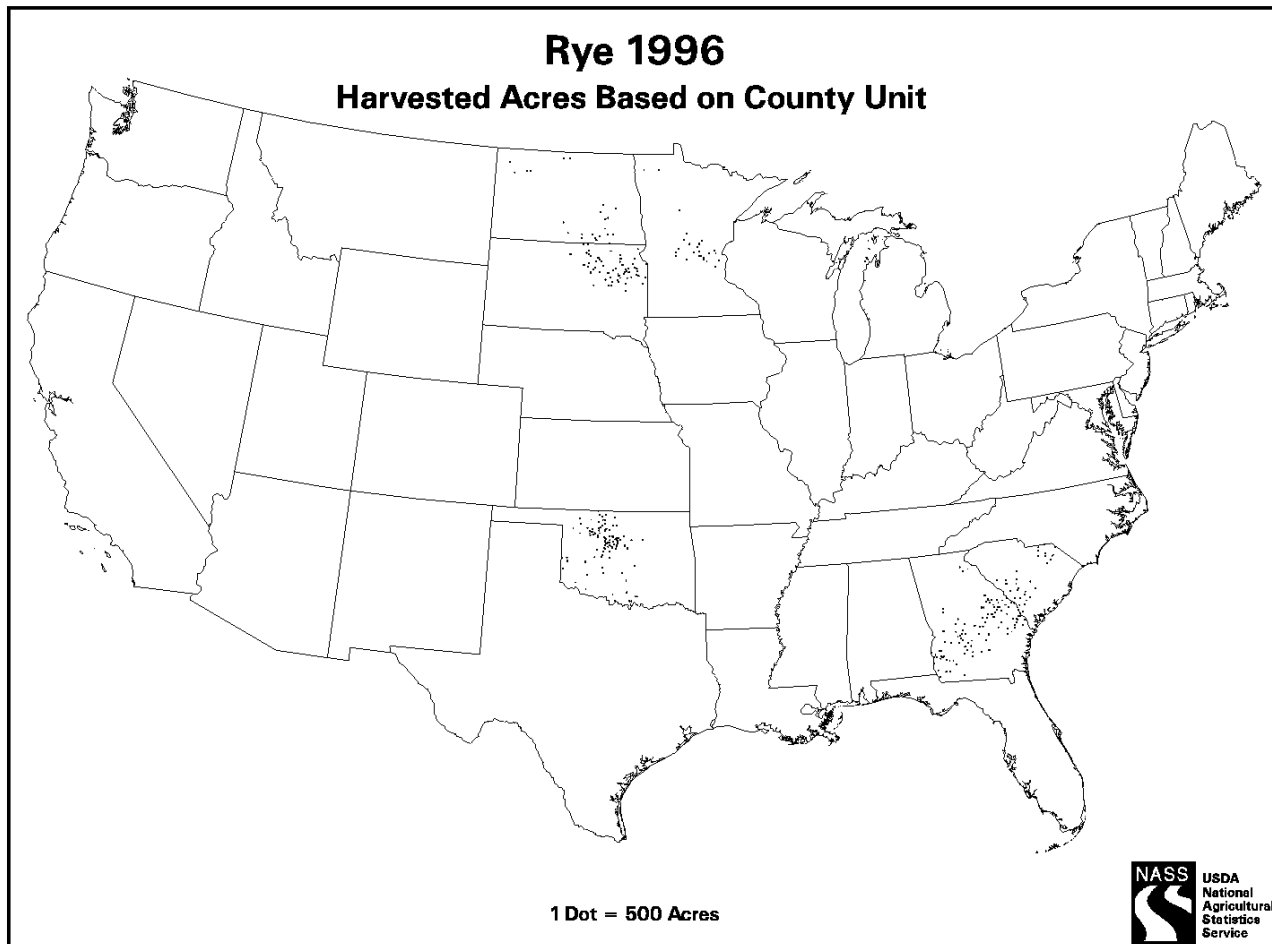


**Rice: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AR	1,170	Apr 7	Apr 18 - May 18	Jun 2	Aug 26	Sep 3 - Oct 4	Oct 25
CA	500	May 1	May 10 - May 25	Jun 5	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Nov 1
LA	533	Mar 20	Apr 3 - May 2	Jun 2	Jul 22	Aug 8 - Sep 6	Oct 8
MS	208	Apr 2	Apr 23 - May 28	Jun 9	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Oct 6	Oct 27
MO	90	Apr 15	May 1 - May 25	Jun 10	Sep 10	Sep 25 - Oct 25	Nov 1
TX	298	Mar 22	Apr 5 - May 4	May 26	Jul 22	Aug 10 - Sep 11	Oct 15

## Rye

Rye was planted on 1.5 million acres in 1996, the lowest acreage on record since 1866. Acreage, except for peaking during the two World Wars, has gradually declined during the past 100 years. A large portion of the rye acreage is used as a winter cover crop, pastured, and then plowed under as green manure. Only 24% of 1996 plantings were harvested for grain. Rye intended for grain is usually planted in the fall and harvested during the late spring or early summer months. Most rye is produced in the northern Plains and southern Plains. With the exception of Georgia, only minor acreages of rye are grown in the East and South.

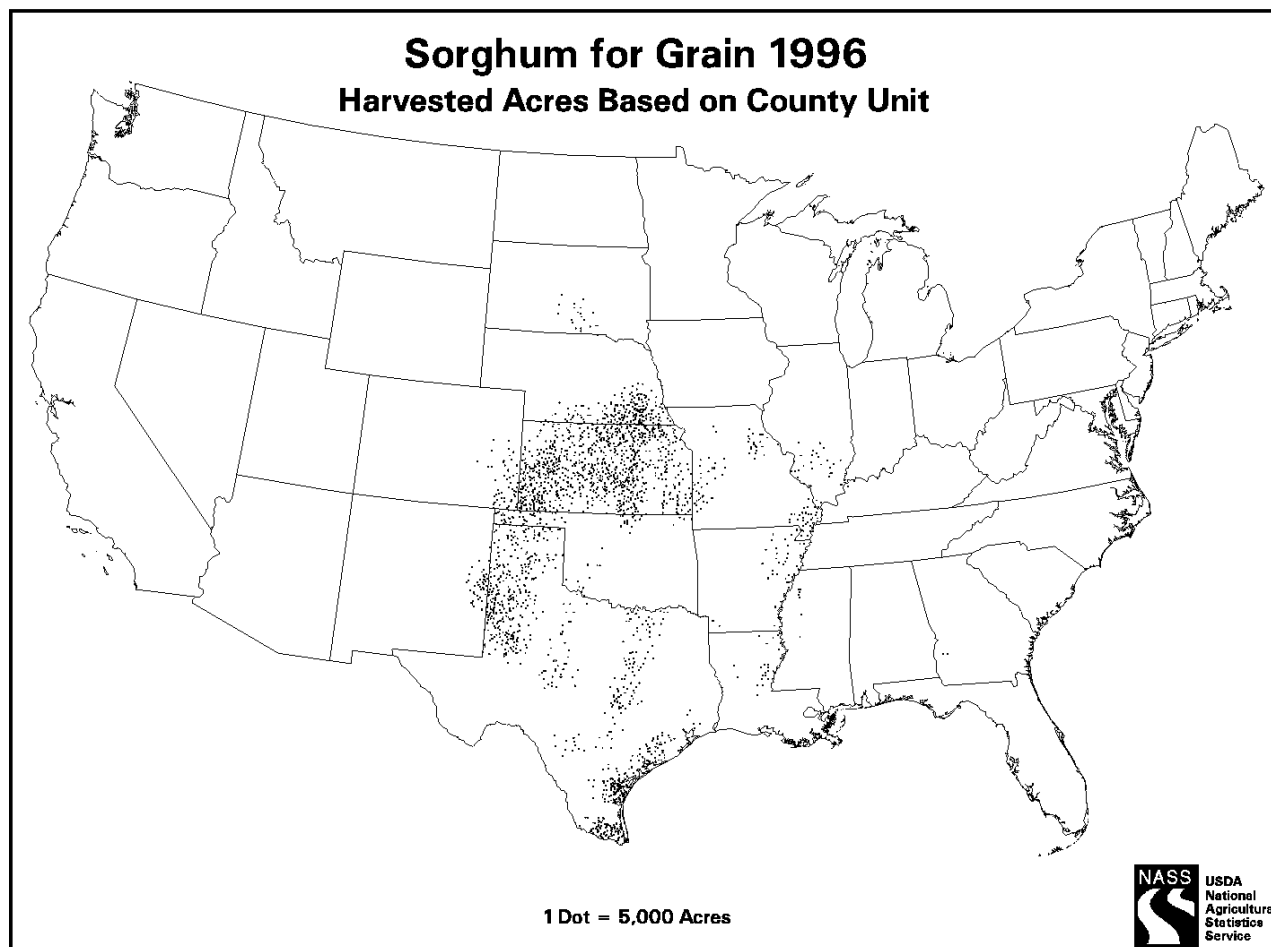


**Rye: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
GA	70	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 10	Dec 5	May 10	May 25 - Jun 20	Jun 25
IN	2	Sep 10	Sep 20- Oct 15	Oct 30	Jun 20	Jun 30 - Jul 20	Jul 25
KS	5	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 20	Oct 1	Jun 10	Jun 15 - Jun 25	Jul 5
MD	2	Sep 19	Oct 3 - Nov 1	Nov 17	Jun 14	Jun 25 - Jul 14	Jul 25
MN	20	Aug 23	Sep 2 - Sep 27	Oct 9	Jul 15	Jul 28 - Aug 20	Aug 29
NE	22	Aug 30	Sep 12 - Sep 26	Oct 6	Jun 30	Jul 12 - Jul 30	Aug 8
NJ	3	Sep 1	Oct 14 - Nov 14	Nov 14	Jul 7	Jul 21 - Aug 1	Aug 7
NY	8	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Oct 10	Oct 25	Jul 5	Jul 10 - Jul 15	Jul 20
NC	20	Sep 20	Oct 7 - Nov 5	Dec 5	May 28	Jun 5 - Jul 7	Jul 28
ND	16	Sep 7	Sep 14 - Sep 21	Sep 30	Jul 10	Jul 14 - Jul 24	Aug 1
OH	3	Sep 10	Sep 15 - Oct 14	Oct 20	Jun 25	Jul 1 - Jul 15	Jul 20
OK	60	Sep 5	Sep 5 - Oct 15	Oct 15	Jun 10	Jun 10 - Jun 15	Jun 15
PA	6	Aug 30	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jul 5	Jul 10 - Jul 30	Aug 10
SC	20	Sep 23	Oct 10 - Nov 20	Dec 13	May 23	Jun 8 - Jun 28	Jul 10
SD	36	Aug 30	Sep 9 - Sep 24	Oct 7	Jul 9	Jul 20 - Aug 4	Aug 15
TX	10	Sep 1	Sep 25 - Oct 20	Nov 15	May 15	Jun 5 - Jun 20	Jul 1
VA	10	Aug 20	Aug 25 - Nov 20	Nov 30	Jun 5	Jun 10 - Jun 25	Jul 5
WI	12	Aug 15	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 1	Jul 5	Jul 15 - Aug 5	Aug 10

## Sorghum

Most grain sorghum is grown in the central and southern Plains States, where it is well adapted to heat and tolerant to limited moisture conditions. Of the 11.9 million acres of sorghum harvested for grain in 1996, 79% was grown in Kansas, Texas, and Nebraska. Grain sorghum is used primarily as a livestock feed. Planted area generally ranged between 15 and 20 million acres until the late 1980's, when acreage dropped to the 10 to 15 million range. The majority of the sorghum acreage not harvested for grain, is harvested for silage. Sorghum grain yields increased steadily from the late 1950's until 1990. Erratic weather in the 1990's has caused wide yield changes from year to year. The 1996 yield, of 67.5 bushels per acre, compares with 55.6 bushels per acre in 1995 and 72.8 bushels per acre in 1994.

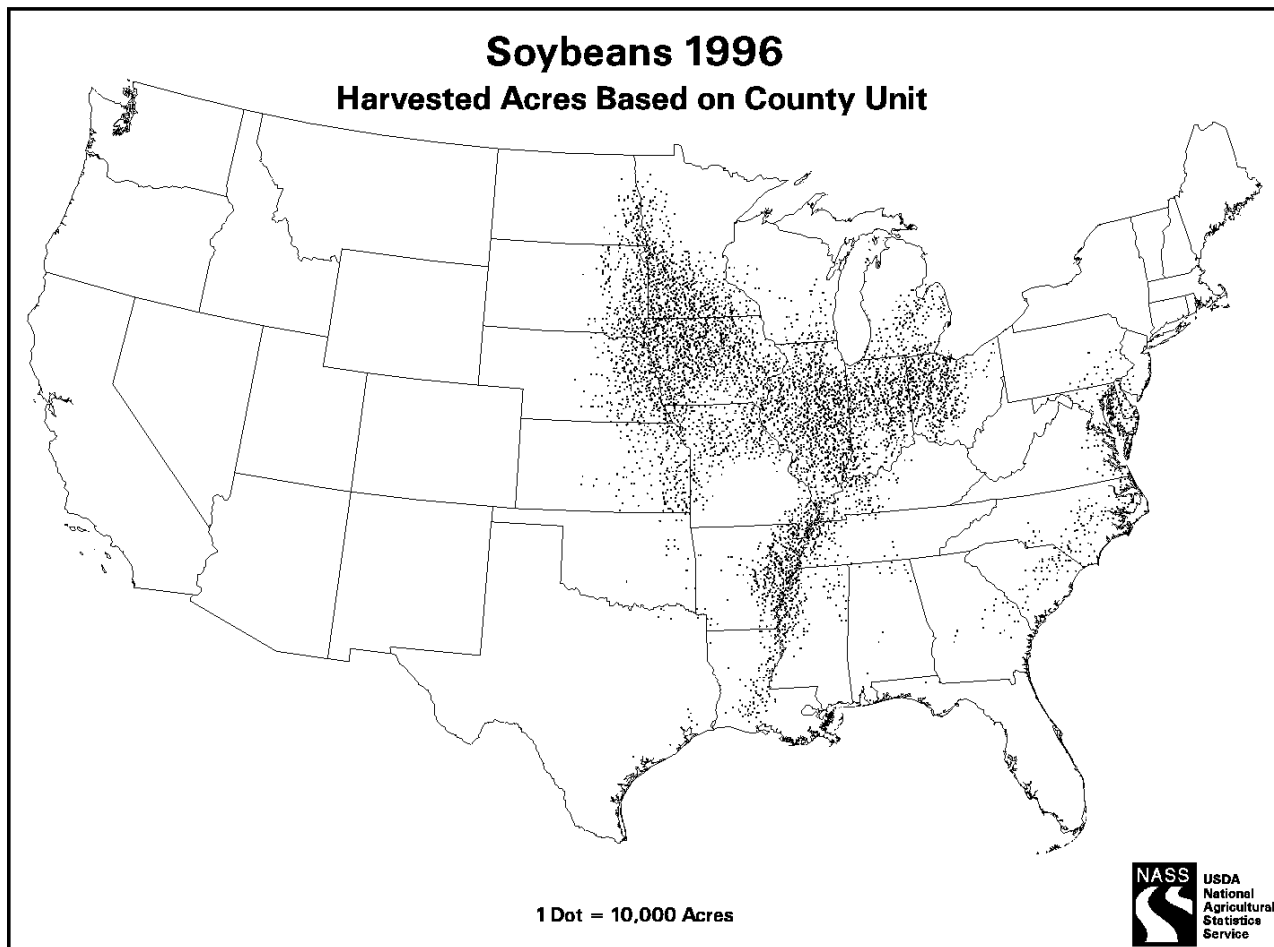


**Sorghum for Grain: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	10	Apr 1	May 1 - May 30	Jul 1	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Oct 30	Dec 15
AR	220	Apr 6	Apr 21 - May 23	Jun 9	Aug 24	Sep 3 - Sep 29	Oct 24
CO	260	May 10	Jun 1 - Jun 20	Jul 1	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Nov 15	Nov 25
GA	40	Apr 15	Apr 30 - Jun 5	Jul 5	Aug 20	Sep 10 - Oct 15	Nov 25
IL	220	May 20	Jun 2 - Jun 21	Jun 30	Sep 27	Oct 15 - Nov 3	Nov 17
KS	4,600	May 10	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 5	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Nov 5	Nov 30
KY	23	May 10	May 15 - Jun 25	Jul 1	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Nov 10	Nov 15
LA	153	Mar 31	Apr 20 - May 22	Jun 23	Aug 12	Aug 25 - Sep 19	Oct 10
MS	72	Apr 2	Apr 14 - May 28	Jun 23	Aug 18	Aug 18 - Oct 6	Oct 20
MO	580	Apr 25	May 15 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Sep 10	Sep 25 - Oct 30	Nov 25
NE	1,030	May 11	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 19	Sep 19	Oct 8 - Oct 30	Nov 17
NM	225	May 10	May 20 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Oct 15	Oct 20 - Nov 15	Dec 15
NC	10	May 5	May 25 - Jun 16	Jul 14	Aug 14	Oct 1 - Oct 22	Nov 26
OK	490	Apr 30	May 27 - Jun 17	Jul 5	Sep 21	Oct 23 - Nov 17	Dec 6
SC	5	Apr 25	May 25 - Jun 30	Jul 25	Jul 28	Sep 3 - Nov 6	Dec 7
SD	145	May 14	May 26 - Jun 14	Jul 2	Sep 22	Oct 6 - Oct 29	Nov 16
TN	18	Apr 15	May 10 - Jun 5	Jun 25	Sep 1	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Nov 1
TX	3,800	Mar 3	Mar 22 - May 23	Jul 5	Jul 5	Jul 19 - Oct 10	Nov 26

## Soybeans

Soybeans are grown primarily for beans which are processed into oil and meal. The main soybean producing area is in the Corn Belt and the lower Mississippi Valley. The three top producing States in 1996 - Iowa, Illinois, and Minnesota - accounted for 44% of the total U.S. production. Over 64 million acres of soybeans were planted in 1996. Planted area increased rapidly until 1979, when a record 71.4 million acres were planted. Acreage declined during the 1980's, but has rebounded in the 1990's. The 1996 yield, of 37.6 bushels per acre, was the second highest yield since records were first kept in 1924. The record yield, of 41.4 bushels per acre, was set in 1994.



**Soybeans: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

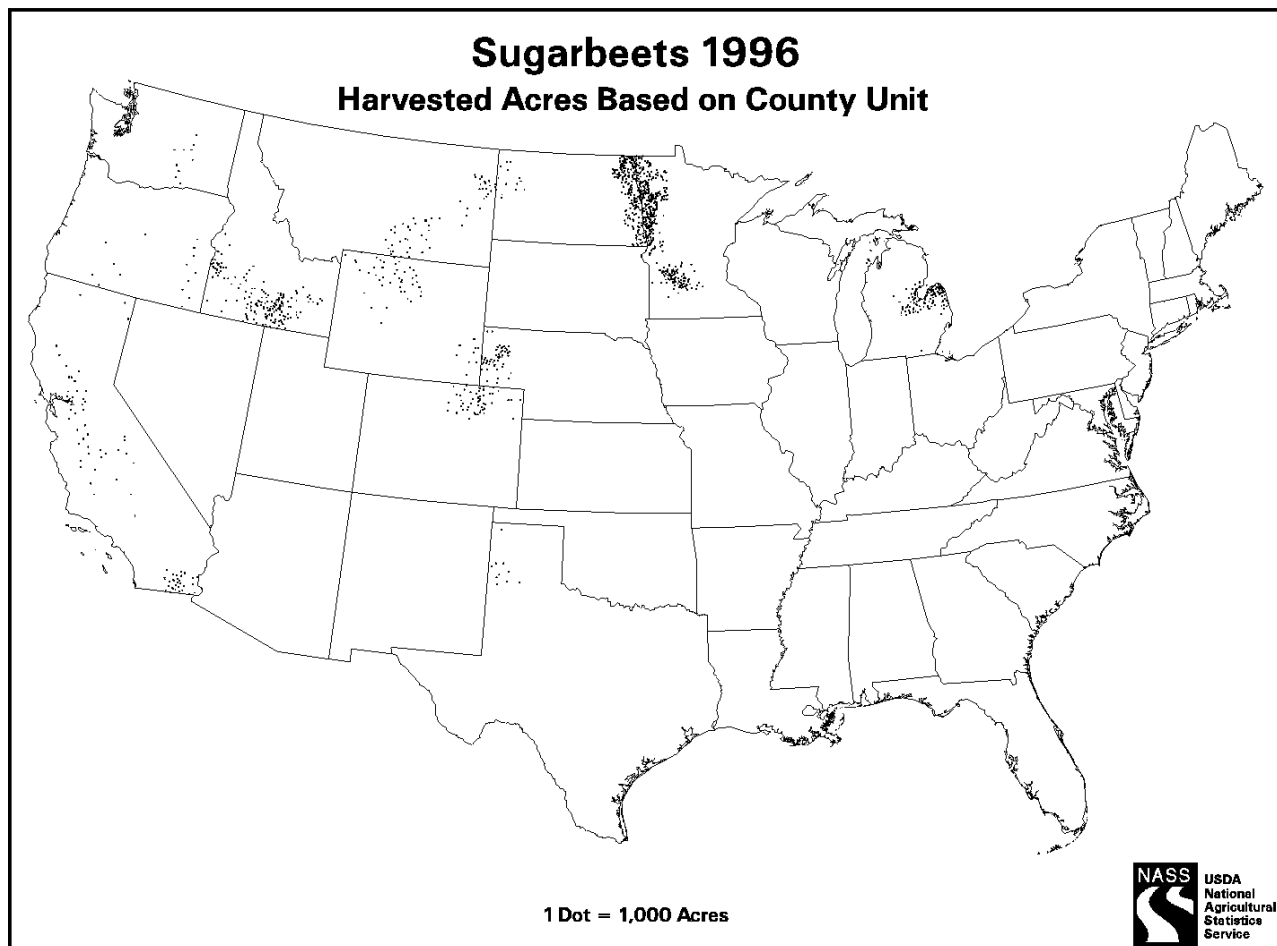
State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	315	Apr 30	May 25 - Jun 25	Jul 3	Sep 28	Oct 28 - Nov 28	Dec 8
AR	3,500	May 4	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 7	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 9	Nov 29
DE	217	May 18	May 30 - Jun 28	Jul 11	Oct 5	Oct 22 - Nov 14	Nov 25
FL	33	May 1	May 15 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 15	Nov 25
GA	390	May 5	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 5	Oct 1	Nov 1 - Nov 25	Dec 15
IL	9,850	May 6	May 15 - Jun 9	Jun 16	Sep 23	Oct 1 - Oct 19	Nov 3
IN	5,360	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Sep 25	Sep 30 - Oct 25	Nov 5
IA	9,450	May 4	May 14 - Jun 2	Jun 17	Sep 21	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Oct 27
KS	2,000	May 10	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 5	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Oct 25	Nov 15
KY	1,180	May 10	May 25 - Jun 25	Jul 5	Oct 1	Oct 18 - Nov 10	Nov 18
LA	1,080	May 5	May 18 - Jun 15	Jul 5	Sep 15	Oct 4 - Oct 31	Nov 20
MD	480	May 11	May 28 - Jun 26	Jul 16	Oct 5	Oct 18 - Nov 15	Dec 1
MI	1,640	May 8	May 18 - Jun 3	Jun 15	Sep 30	Oct 12 - Oct 28	Nov 7
MN	5,900	May 6	May 16 - Jun 3	Jun 23	Sep 25	Oct 4 - Oct 21	Oct 30
MS	1,750	Apr 10	Apr 25 - May 25	Jul 1	Aug 15	Sep 15 - Oct 20	Dec 3
MO	4,050	May 5	May 15 - Jul 1	Jul 10	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Nov 25
NE	3,010	May 9	May 18 - Jun 4	Jun 17	Sep 19	Sep 30 - Oct 15	Oct 27
NJ	119	May 30	Jun 14 - Jul 14	Jul 14	Oct 1	Oct 21 - Nov 10	Nov 30
NC	1,200	May 1	May 20 - Jun 30	Jul 18	Oct 10	Nov 12 - Dec 3	Dec 20
ND	845	May 12	May 19 - May 29	Jun 6	Sep 16	Sep 26 - Oct 11	Oct 22
OH	4,490	May 5	May 10 - Jun 7	Jun 23	Sep 21	Oct 1 - Oct 22	Nov 10
OK	285	Apr 20	May 18 - Jun 22	Jul 9	Sep 17	Oct 14 - Nov 17	Dec 9
PA	285	May 10	May 20 - Jun 10	Jul 5	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Nov 30
SC	540	May 10	May 27 - Jun 27	Jul 11	Oct 20	Nov 10 - Dec 10	Dec 30
SD	2,670	May 10	May 20 - Jun 6	Jun 26	Sep 21	Oct 1 - Oct 23	Nov 5
TN	1,150	May 10	May 30 - Jun 25	Jul 10	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 15	Dec 5
TX	270	Apr 16	May 3 - Jun 14	Jul 16	Aug 13	Sep 10 - Nov 1	Dec 3
VA	480	Apr 30	May 20 - Jun 30	Jul 10	Oct 5	Oct 25 - Nov 25	Dec 10
WI	870	May 5	May 15 - Jun 20	Jun 30	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 1	Nov 10



## Sugarbeets

Almost all U.S. sugarbeets are grown under irrigation in the western half of the country and in the more humid areas of the North Central States. Sugarbeets require plentiful, well-distributed moisture and extended moderately cool weather during the growing season. In 1996, Minnesota lead the U.S. in sugarbeet production, followed by Idaho and North Dakota. Most beets are seeded from March to May and harvested from September to December, with peak harvest in October. However, in California, some beets are over-wintered and harvested the next spring.

Growers planted a record 1.6 million acres in 1969. Acreage declined during the 1970's and early 1980's, but climbed back up to around 1.4 million acres by 1990, where it has stayed. Just over 1.3 million acres of sugarbeets were planted in 1996. Sugarbeets yielded 20.2 tons per acres in 1996, down from the record yield of 22.1 tons per acre in 1994.



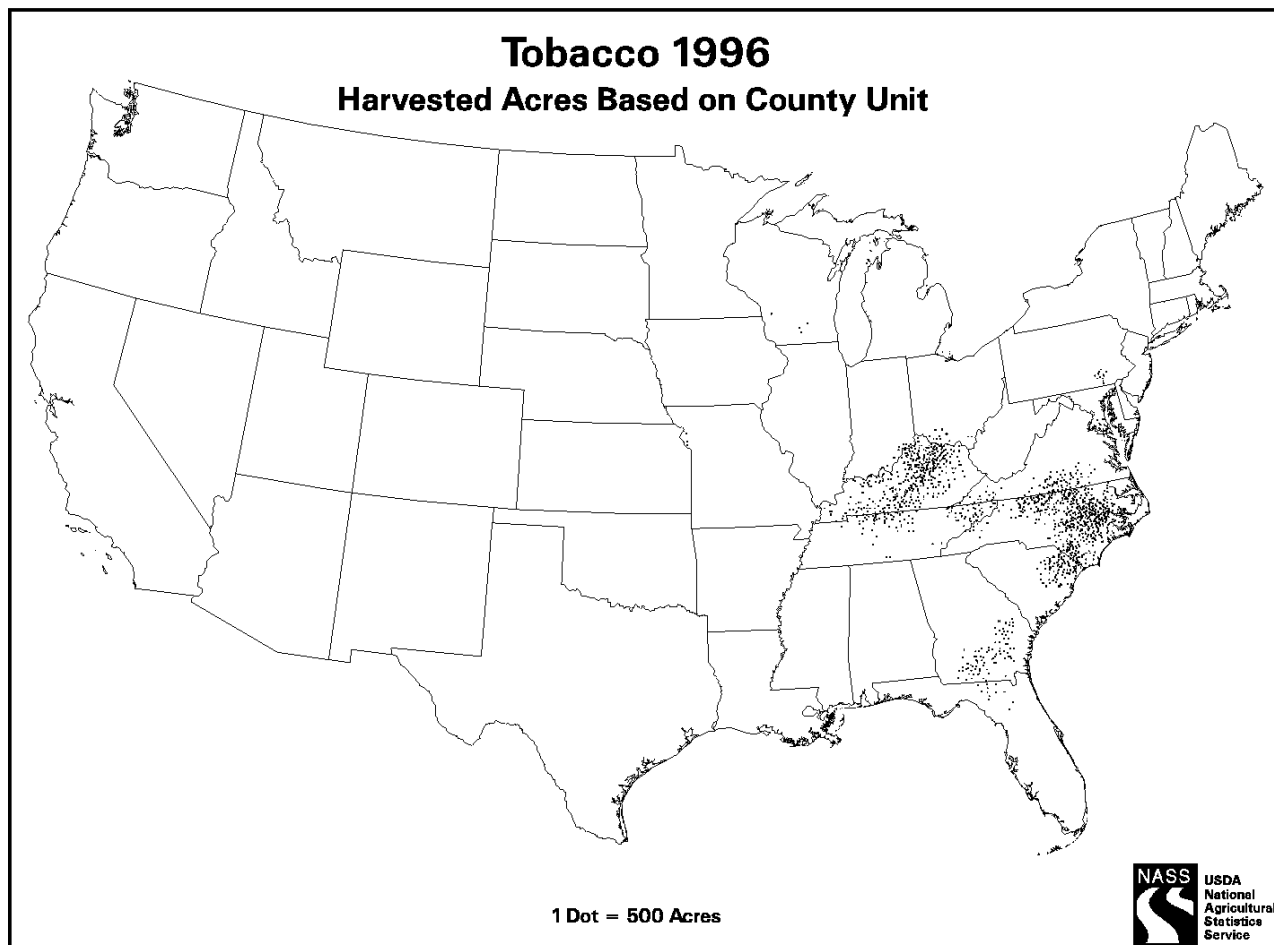
**Sugarbeets: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
CA	82.0	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Apr 1	Apr 15 - Aug 1	Aug 15
CO	51.1	Mar 25	Apr 10 - Apr 25	May 5	Oct 5	Oct 15 - Nov 5	Nov 10
ID	184.0	Mar 24	Apr 3 - Apr 21	May 5	Sep 15	Oct 8 - Oct 30	Nov 10
MI	130.0	Apr 25	Apr 30 - May 4	May 13	Oct 6	Oct 17 - Oct 29	Nov 5
MN	438.0	Apr 22	Apr 30 - May 20	May 30	Sep 17	Oct 3 - Oct 18	Oct 28
MT	57.5	Apr 9	Apr 19 - May 6	May 16	Sep 24	Oct 9 - Oct 20	Nov 2
NE	51.2	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 30	May 5	Oct 5	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Nov 5
NM	.9	Mar 25	Apr 5 - Apr 25	May 5	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Dec 1
ND	225.3	Apr 22	Apr 29 - May 10	May 16	Sep 18	Oct 5 - Oct 13	Oct 20
OH	4.6	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 15	May 30	Sep 25	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Nov 20
OR	16.3	Mar 15	Mar 22 - Mar 30	Mar 30	Oct 1	Oct 10 - Oct 20	Oct 30
TX	12.6	Mar 27	Apr 8 - Apr 25	May 7	Oct 3	Oct 21 - Dec 1	Dec 24
WA	13.0	Mar 15	Mar 20 - Mar 30	Apr 7	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Oct 20	Nov 7
WY	56.8	Apr 3	Apr 12 - Apr 29	May 11	Sep 21	Oct 8 - Oct 24	Nov 2

## Tobacco

U.S. tobacco production is generally confined to areas east of the Mississippi River, with the principal exception being the western area of Missouri. Six major classes are grown: Flue-cured, fire-cured, air-cured (light and dark), cigar filler, cigar binder, and cigar wrapper. Although grown at various latitudes, the crop has little tolerance to frost and freezing temperatures. Tobacco seeds are usually sown during the late winter and early spring in protected beds from which seedlings are pulled and transplanted in the spring. Harvest dates are governed largely by latitude, elevation, seasonal conditions, and the nature of the particular tobacco type. The flue-cured and cigar wrapper types are harvested by priming (picking the leaves as they ripen) while other types are usually stalk cut.

In 1996, North Carolina and Kentucky accounted for 65% of the total U.S. production. Harvested area increased from 1866, when records were first kept, until 1930 when the peak level of over 2 million acres were harvested. Acreage leveled off until the 1950's, but has decreased steadily since. Tobacco growers harvested 1.6 billion pounds of tobacco from 733,920 acres in 1996. Production generally increased steadily from 1866-1966, but has generally decreased since.



**Tobacco by Type: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
FL Type14	7.5	Mar 1	Mar 1 - Apr 15	Apr 15	Jun 1	Jul 1 - Aug 1	Aug 25
GA Type14	46.0	Mar 20	Apr 1- Apr 10	Apr 25	Jun 20	Jul 10 - Aug 15	Sep 1
IN Type31	7.6	May 20	May 30 - Jun 15	Jun 25	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 30	Oct 10
KY Type22	3.8	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Type23	3.6	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Type31	185.0	May 10	May 23 - Jun 8	Jun 15	Aug 8	Aug 21 - Sep 15	Oct 1
Type35	2.1	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Type36	1.2	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
MD Type32	8.0	May 9	May 25 - Jun 4	Jun 24	Aug 7	Aug 21 - Sep 14	Sep 26
MO Type31	2.7	May 10	May 15 - May 30	Jun 15	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Sep 25
CT Type51	1.2	May 23	Jun 1 - Jun 15	Jun 26	Jul 30	Aug 7 - Aug 24	Sep 7
Type61	1.0	May 14	May 20 - May 31	Jun 7	Jul 17	Jul 30 - Aug 21	Sep 3
MA Type51	.4	May 23	Jun 1 - Jun 15	Jun 26	Jul 30	Aug 7 - Aug 24	Sep 7
Type61	.4	May 14	May 20 - May 31	Jun 7	Jul 17	Jul 30 - Aug 21	Sep 3
NC Type11	76.0	Apr 30	May 7 - May 25	Jun 5	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Sep 5	Oct 10
Type12	167.0	Apr 18	Apr 30 - May 12	Jun 2	Jul 5	Jul 30 - Aug 30	Sep 25
Type13	37.0	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 10	May 31	Jul 1	Jul 21 - Aug 21	Sep 15
Type31	7.8	May 13	May 20 - Jun 7	Jun 30	Aug 18	Sep 1 - Sep 22	Oct 13
OH Type31	8.0	Jun 1	Jun 7 - Jun 21	Jul 5	Aug 30	Sep 5 - Sep 20	Oct 5
PA Type32	3.2	May 25	May 30 - Jun 15	Jun 25	Aug 10	Aug 20 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Type41	4.6	May 25	May 30 - Jun 15	Jun 25	Aug 10	Aug 20 - Sep 10	Sep 25
SC Type13	51.0	Apr 2	Apr 9 - Apr 30	May 10	Jun 30	Jul 18 - Aug 26	Sep 20
TN Type22	7.5	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Type23	.6	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Type31	46.0	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Type35	.5	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
VA Type11	37.7	Apr 30	May 5 - May 20	May 30	Jul 15	Aug 15 - Sep 20	Oct 10
Type21	1.1	May 5	May 15 - May 30	Jun 10	Aug 5	Aug 20 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Type31	9.5	May 10	May 20 - Jun 5	Jun 25	Aug 25	Sep 5 - Sep 25	Oct 5
Type37	.1	May 10	May 15 - May 30	Jun 10	Aug 10	Aug 20 - Sep 15	Sep 30
WV Type31	1.7	May 15	May 20 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Aug 15	Aug 20 - Sep 20	Oct 5
WI Type54	1.9	May 15	Jun 1 - Jun 30	Jul 5	Aug 15	Aug 25 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Type55	.9	May 15	Jun 1 - Jun 30	Jul 5	Aug 15	Aug 25 - Sep 10	Sep 25

## **Spring Wheat**

The 1996 spring wheat harvest, including both durum and other spring wheat, accounted for 35% of all wheat produced in the United States. Spring wheat is planted in the late spring and harvested late in the summer. Annual rainfall in the northern Great Plains and Northwestern States is relatively limited but well distributed during the summer, thus favoring spring wheat production. Nationwide, 1 16 million bushels of Durum and 692 million bushels of other spring wheat were grown in 1996. North Dakota growers produced over 79 million bushels of durum and over 313 million bushels of other spring wheat in 1996, making it the top producing State for all classes of wheat.

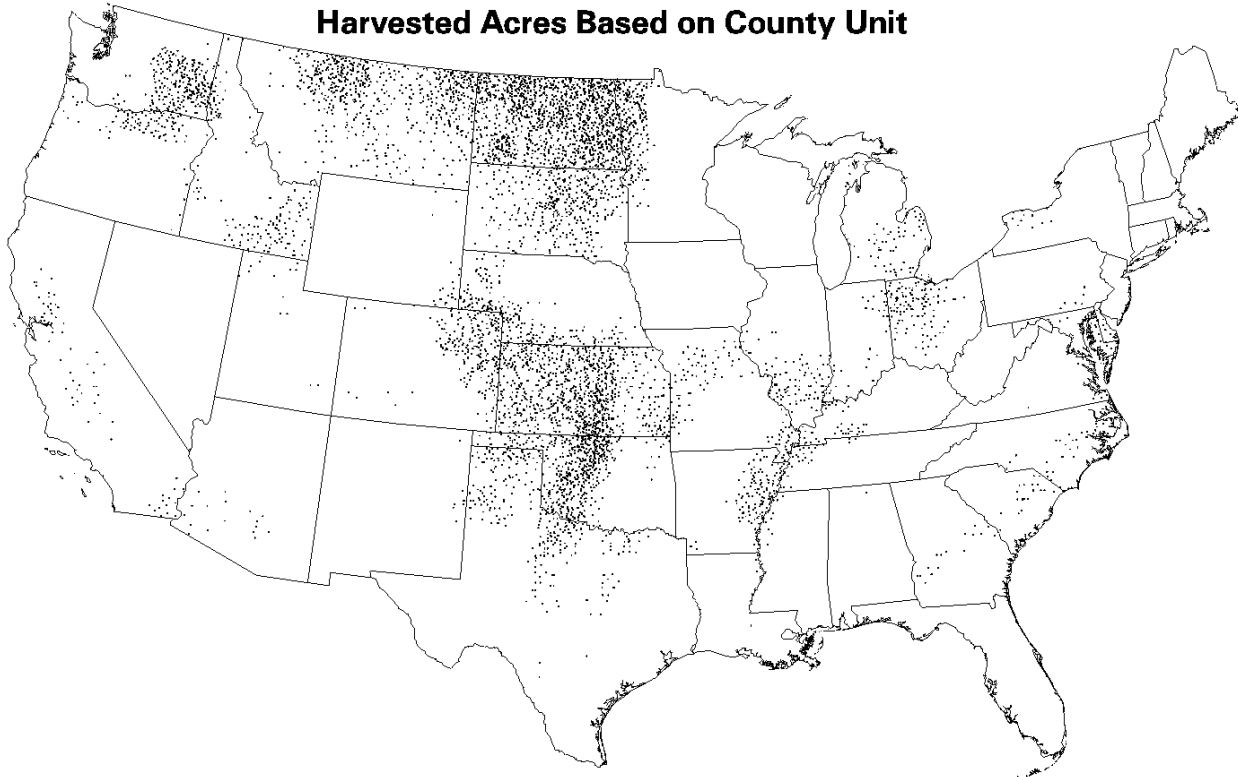
## **Winter Wheat**

Winter wheat, widely grown throughout the United States, is heavily concentrated in the central and southern Great Plains and the Pacific Northwest. Winter wheat is planted in the fall, goes into dormancy during the winter, and is harvested for grain the following spring. When weather conditions are favorable for early fall growth, much of the winter wheat in the southern Great Plains is grazed in the fall prior to going into dormancy and again in the late winter and early spring when new growth starts.

Nearly 52 million acres of winter wheat were planted in 1996. With the exception of peak acreages during World War II and the early 1980's, planted area has generally ranged between 40 and 50 million acres since the 1920's. Nearly 1.5 billion bushels of winter wheat were produced in 1996, comprising 65% of all wheat produced. Kansas, Washington, and Oklahoma were the 3 top producing winter wheat States and accounted for 35% of the total winter wheat production. Kansas ranked second, behind only North Dakota, in all classes of wheat production.

## All Wheat 1996

### Harvested Acres Based on County Unit



1 Dot = 10,000 Acres



### Wheat, Spring: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
CO	68	Mar 25	Apr 20 - May 10	May 25	Jul 25	Aug 10 - Sep 10	Oct 5
ID	700	Mar 21	Apr 7 - May 3	May 26	Aug 4	Aug 13 - Sep 8	Sep 29
MN	2,500	Apr 13	Apr 27 - May 25	Jun 3	Jul 31	Aug 12 - Sep 16	Sep 30
MT	4,100	Apr 8	Apr 22 - May 13	May 29	Aug 7	Aug 16 - Sep 6	Sep 27
NV	10	Apr 5	Apr 15 - May 15	May 20	Jul 20	Aug 1 - Aug 25	Sep 5
ND	9,500	Apr 19	May 1 - May 16	May 27	Aug 4	Aug 14 - Sep 1	Sep 14
OR	105	Mar 1	Mar 25 - Apr 15	Apr 15	Aug 1	Aug 15 - Sep 10	Sep 15
SD	2,250	Apr 3	Apr 14 - May 2	May 17	Jul 15	Jul 27 - Aug 13	Aug 30
UT	28	Mar 20	Apr 1 - Apr 20	May 1	Jul 15	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 5
WA	395	Mar 1	Mar 25 - Apr 25	May 15	Jul 20	Aug 5 - Aug 30	Sep 15
WI	10	Apr 5	Apr 10 - May 10	May 15	Jul 25	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 1
WY	26	Mar 27	Apr 14 - May 15	Jun 3	Aug 1	Aug 12 - Sep 8	Sep 25

**Wheat, Winter: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by State**

State	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
AL	80	Oct 2	Oct 21 - Nov 21	Dec 12	May 1	May 25 - Jun 25	Jul 1
AZ	14	Nov 10	Dec 1 - Dec 30	Feb 1	May 15	May 30 - Jun 15	Jul 1
AR	1,240	Oct 3	Oct 17 - Nov 12	Nov 27	Jun 8	Jun 15 - Jun 28	Jul 5
CA	550	Oct 15	Nov 15 - Jan 15	Feb 15	Jun 1	Jun 15 - Jul 15	Aug 1
CO	2,200	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Sep 25	Oct 10	Jun 25	Jul 10 - Jul 20	Aug 10
DE	78	Oct 8	Oct 19 - Nov 8	Nov 21	Jun 22	Jun 26 - Jul 8	Jul 17
FL	10	Oct 15	Nov 15 - Dec 15	Dec 15	May 1	May 15 - May 31	Jun 15
GA	350	Oct 5	Nov 15 - Dec 5	Dec 15	May 20	Jun 1 - Jun 15	Jun 30
ID	860	Sep 8	Sep 22 - Oct 13	Nov 3	Jul 23	Aug 4 - Aug 25	Sep 14
IL	1,100	Sep 29	Oct 13 - Oct 29	Nov 6	Jun 22	Jun 30 - Jul 8	Jul 20
IN	720	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Oct 25	Nov 10	Jun 20	Jun 30 - Jul 20	Jul 25
IA	45	Sep 6	Sep 26 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jun 24	Jul 6 - Jul 22	Aug 7
KS	8,800	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 10	Oct 25	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 10	Jul 25
KY	530	Sep 23	Oct 9 - Nov 2	Nov 20	Jun 12	Jun 20 - Jul 1	Jul 10
LA	130	Oct 8	Oct 30 - Nov 21	Dec 12	May 14	May 22 - Jun 9	Jun 23
MD	227	Oct 5	Oct 17 - Nov 6	Nov 19	Jun 22	Jun 28 - Jul 12	Jul 20
MI	630	Sep 13	Sep 25 - Oct 15	Oct 29	Jul 14	Jul 20 - Jul 20	Aug 4
MN	32	Aug 21	Sep 3 - Sep 26	Oct 7	Jul 18	Aug 1 - Aug 21	Sep 5
MS	230	Sep 24	Oct 8 - Nov 12	Dec 10	May 28	Jun 6 - Jun 23	Jul 7
MO	1,250	Sep 20	Oct 10 - Nov 1	Nov 20	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 10	Jul 20
MT	1,980	Sep 7	Sep 19 - Oct 6	Oct 23	Jul 28	Aug 6 - Aug 23	Sep 8
NE	2,100	Aug 30	Sep 12 - Sep 26	Oct 6	Jun 26	Jul 7 - Jul 26	Aug 8
NV	9	Sep 5	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Oct 20	Jul 15	Jul 20 - Aug 20	Aug 25
NJ	38	Sep 14	Oct 14 - Nov 14	Nov 14	Jul 1	Jul 28 - Aug 1	Aug 14
NM	110	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Sep 24	Oct 15	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 10	Jul 15
NY	150	Sep 10	Sep 15 - Oct 5	Nov 1	Jul 15	Jul 20 - Jul 30	Aug 5
NC	590	Sep 20	Oct 15 - Nov 20	Dec 20	May 29	Jun 9 - Jun 30	Jul 25
ND	75	Sep 7	Sep 14 - Sep 21	Sep 30	Jul 10	Jul 14 - Jul 24	Aug 1
OH	1,330	Sep 24	Oct 1 - Oct 21	Nov 2	Jul 1	Jul 5 - Jul 28	Aug 4
OK	4,900	Sep 3	Sep 22 - Oct 12	Nov 2	Jun 5	Jun 15 - Jun 25	Jul 5
OR	850	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Nov 10	Nov 10	Jul 15	Jul 30 - Aug 20	Sep 1
PA	190	Aug 30	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jul 5	Jul 10 - Jul 30	Aug 10
SC	270	Oct 15	Nov 11 - Dec 15	Dec 31	May 26	Jun 6 - Jun 25	Jul 1
SD	1,580	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 23	Oct 7	Jul 6	Jul 15 - Jul 31	Aug 12
TN	400	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 10	Nov 30	Jun 10	Jun 15 - Jun 30	Jul 10
TX	2,900	Aug 31	Sep 16 - Oct 21	Dec 3	May 25	Jun 10 - Jun 30	Jul 7
UT	160	Aug 20	Aug 25 - Oct 5	Oct 20	Jul 10	Jul 25 - Aug 10	Aug 25
VA	275	Sep 25	Oct 20 - Nov 15	Nov 30	Jun 5	Jun 20 - Jul 15	Jul 25
WA	2,350	Sep 1	Sep 5 - Oct 5	Oct 30	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 20	Sep 5
WV	11	Sep 20	Oct 10 - Nov 5	Nov 20	Jun 25	Jul 5 - Aug 1	Aug 10
WI	125	Sep 5	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 5	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 15	Aug 20
WY	210	Aug 23	Sep 4 - Sep 20	Oct 2	Jul 13	Jul 24 - Aug 12	Sep 3

**Alabama: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	280	Mar 5	Mar 25 - Apr 25	May 18	Jul 21	Aug 11 - Sep 20	Nov 2
Cotton	516	Apr 12	Apr 24 - May 24	Jun 6	Sep 22	Sep 20 - Oct 20	Dec 15
Hay, Other	730				May 10	Jun 20 - Jul 20	Oct 15
Peanuts	191	Apr 16	Apr 25 - May 25	Jun 6	Sep 4	Sep 22 - Oct 22	Nov 1
Sorghum, for Grain	10	Apr 1	May 1 - May 30	Jul 1	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Oct 30	Dec 15
Sorghum, for Silage	3	Apr 1	May 1 - May 30	Jul 1	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Oct 30	Dec 15
Soybeans	315	Apr 30	May 25 - Jun 25	Jul 3	Sep 28	Oct 28 - Nov 28	Dec 8
Wheat, Winter	80	Oct 2	Oct 21 - Nov 21	Dec 12	May 1	May 25 - Jun 25	Jul 1

**Alaska: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley	6.9	May 5	May 10 - May 25	Jun 5	Aug 20	Sep 1 - Sep 25	Oct 5
Hay, Other	.7	May 5	May 10 - June 1	Jun 5	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 10
Oats, Spring	.6	May 10	May 15 - May 25	Jun 5	Aug 25	Sep 5 - Sep 20	Oct 5
Potatoes	20.2				Jun 15	Jul 1 - Sep 1	Oct 10

**Arizona: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	54	Nov 10	Dec 1 - Dec 30	Feb 1	May 15	May 30 - Jun 15	Jul 1
Corn, for Grain	40	Mar 15	Apr 1 - May 15	Jun 1	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	15	Mar 15	Apr 1 - May 15	Jun 1	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Dec 1
Cotton	356	Mar 15	Apr 1 - Apr 30	May 15	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Nov 10	Dec 25
Hay, Alfalfa	160				Feb 15		Dec 1
Hay, Other	19				Feb 15		Dec 1
Potatoes	9	Dec 15	Jan 1 - Jan 30	Feb 15	Apr 15	May 15 - Jun 15	Jul 1
Wheat, Durum	164	Nov 10	Dec 1 - Dec 30	Feb 1	May 15	May 30 - Jun 15	Jul 1
Wheat, Winter	14	Nov 10	Dec 1 - Dec 30	Feb 1	May 15	May 30 - Jun 15	Jul 1



**Arkansas: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	230	Apr 3	Apr 10 - May 18	May 25	Aug 16	Aug 27 - Sep 18	Oct 11
Cotton	990	Apr 24	May 1 - May 24	May 31	Sep 22	Oct 6 - Oct 30	Nov 24
Oats, Fall	25	Oct 2	Oct 21 - Nov 21	Nov 26	Jun 8	Jun 15 - Jun 25	Jul 5
Rice	1,170	Apr 7	Apr 18 - May 18	Jun 2	Aug 26	Sep 3 - Oct 4	Oct 25
Sorghum, for Grain	220	Apr 6	Apr 21 - May 23	Jun 9	Aug 24	Sep 3 - Sep 29	Oct 24
Soybeans	3,500	May 4	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 7	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 9	Nov 29
Wheat, Winter	1,240	Oct 3	Oct 17 - Nov 12	Nov 27	Jun 8	Jun 15 - Jun 28	Jul 5

**California: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall 1/		Sep 15	Oct 1 - Apr 15	Apr 30	May 15	Jun 1 - Jul 15	Aug 15
Barley, Spring	200	Feb 20	Mar 1 - May 1	May 15	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Oct 1
Beans, Dry	123	Apr 1	May 1 - Jun 1	Jul 1	Aug 1	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Nov 15
Corn, for Grain	220	Mar 15	Apr 1 - Jul 1	Jul 15	Sep 1	Oct 1 - Nov 15	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	255	Apr 1	Apr 15 - Aug 1	Aug 15	Aug 1	Aug 15 - Oct 15	Nov 15
Cotton	1,159	Apr 1	Apr 15 - Apr 30	May 15	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 1	Nov 15
Hay, Alfalfa	940				Mar 1		Nov 5
Hay, Other	510				May 15		Oct 1
Oats, Fall	30	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Mar 1	Mar 15	Jun 15	Jul 15 - Sep 1	Sep 1
Oats, Spring 1/		Feb 20	Mar 1 - May 15	May 30	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Oct 1
Rice	500	May 1	May 10 - May 25	Jun 5	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Nov 1
Sugarbeets, Fall	82	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Apr 1	Apr 15 - Aug 1	Aug 15
Sugarbeets, Spring 2/		Nov 1	Nov 15 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Jul 1	Aug 20 - Nov 15	Dec 10
Wheat, Durum	138	Oct 15	Nov 1 - Feb 15	Mar 1	May 20	Jun 15 - Jul 15	Aug 15
Wheat, Winter	550	Oct 15	Nov 15 - Jan 15	Feb 15	Jun 1	Jun 15 - Jul 15	Aug 1

1/ "All" acreage estimate published under "Spring" category.

2/ "All" acreage estimate published under "Fall" category.

**Colorado: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	92	Mar 15	Apr 5 - May 5	May 15	Jul 10	Jul 25 - Sep 5	Sep 20
Beans, Dry	125	May 15	Jun 1 - Jun 20	Jul 1	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Oct 5	Oct 15
Corn, for Grain	940	Apr 15	May 1 - May 15	Jun 1	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 10	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	90	Apr 15	May 1 - May 15	Jun 1	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 10
Hay, Alfalfa	860				May 25		Oct 15
Hay, Other	580				Jun 25		Sep 25
Oats, Spring	35	Mar 15	Apr 5 - May 5	May 25	Jul 10	Jul 25 - Sep 5	Sep 30
Potatoes, Fall	11.5	May 1	May 5 - May 25	Jun 1	Sep 5	Sep 20 - Oct 10	Oct 15
Potatoes, Summer	5.8	Apr 10	Apr 15 - May 10	May 25	Aug 1	Aug 15 - Sep 20	Oct 10
Sorghum, for Grain	260	May 10	Jun 1 - Jun 20	Jul 1	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Nov 15	Nov 25
Sorghum, for Silage	12	May 10	Jun 1 - Jun 20	Jul 1	Sep 1	Sep 5 - Sep 20	Oct 1
Sugarbeets	51.1	Mar 25	Apr 10 - Apr 25	May 5	Oct 5	Oct 15 - Nov 5	Nov 10
Wheat, Spring	68	Mar 25	Apr 20 - May 10	May 25	Jul 25	Aug 10 - Sep 10	Oct 5
Wheat, Winter	2,200	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Sep 25	Oct 10	Jun 25	Jul 10 - Jul 20	Aug 10

**Connecticut: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Silage	33	May 1	May 13 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 3	Sep 19 - Oct 16	Oct 29
Hay, Other	65				May 20		Oct 30
Tobacco, Type 51	1.2	May 23	Jun 1 - Jun 15	Jun 26	Jul 30	Aug 7 - Aug 24	Sep 7
Tobacco, Type 61	1.0	May 14	May 20 - May 31	Jun 7	Jul 17	Jul 30 - Aug 21	Sep 3

**Delaware: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	23	Sep 27	Oct 9 - Oct 27	Nov 10	Jun 5	Jun 12 - Jun 28	Jul 3
Corn, for Grain	150	Apr 19	Apr 30 - May 16	May 28	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 15	Nov 5
Corn, for Silage	4	Apr 19	Apr 30 - May 16	May 28	Aug 11	Aug 25 - Sep 18	Sep 30
Hay, Alfalfa	7				May 13		Nov 19
Hay, Other	8				May 10		Nov 8
Potatoes	5.9	Apr 5	Apr 14 - Apr 28	May 5	Jul 4	Jul 23 - Aug 23	Sep 15
Soybeans	217	May 18	May 30 - Jun 28	Jul 11	Oct 5	Oct 22 - Nov 14	Nov 25
Wheat, Winter	78	Oct 8	Oct 19 - Nov 8	Nov 21	Jun 22	Jun 26 - Jul 8	Jul 17

**Florida: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	112	Mar 1	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Apr 25	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Sept 10	Oct 1
Corn, for Silage	19	Mar 1	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Apr 25	Jun 1	Jun 10 - Jul 20	Aug 10
Cotton	98.2	Apr 1	Apr 15 - May 15	Jun 15	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Dec 1
Hay, Other	240				May 10		Nov 20
Peanuts	82	Apr 1	Apr 15 - May 1	May 15	Aug 15	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Nov 15
Potatoes	44.3	Sep 15	Sep 15 - Mar 1	Mar 1	Jan 15	Feb 1 - Jun 15	Jul 1
Soybeans	33	May 1	May 15 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 15	Nov 25
Sugarcane	438	Aug 15	Aug 15 - Feb 15	Feb 15	Nov 1	Nov 15 - Mar 1	Apr 1
Tobacco, Type 14	7.5	Mar 1	Mar 1 - Apr 15	Apr 15	Jun 1	Jul 1 - Aug 1	Aug 25
Wheat, Winter	10	Oct 15	Nov 15 - Dec 15	Dec 15	May 1	May 15 - May 31	Jun 15

**Georgia: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	525	Mar 1	Mar 20 - Apr 15	May 5	Jul 25	Aug 15 - Sep 5	Oct 10
Corn, for Silage	45	Mar 1	Mar 20 - Apr 15	May 5	Jul 10	Jul 20 - Aug 10	Sep 1
Cotton	1,336	Apr 20	Apr 25 - May 25	Jun 5	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 15	Dec 15
Hay, Other	600				May 1	Jun 1 - Jul 30	Oct 15
Oats, Fall	35	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 20	Dec 10	May 20	Jun 1 - Jun 20	Jun 25
Peanuts	533	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 20	Jun 10	Sep 5	Sep 10 - Oct 15	Nov 1
Potatoes, Sweet	2	Apr 1	Apr 1 - May 15	May 15	Jul 15	Jul 15 - Nov 20	Nov 20
Rye	70	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 10	Dec 5	May 10	May 25 - Jun 20	Jun 25
Sorghum, for Grain	40	Apr 15	Apr 30 - Jun 5	Jul 5	Aug 20	Sep 10 - Oct 15	Nov 25
Sorghum, for Silage	20	Apr 15	Apr 30 - Jun 5	Jul 5	Jun 25	Jul 15 - Aug 20	Sep 1
Soybeans	390	May 5	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 5	Oct 1	Nov 1 - Nov 25	Dec 15
Tobacco, Type 14	46	Mar 20	Apr 1 - Apr 10	Apr 25	Jun 20	Jul 10 - Aug 15	Sep 1
Wheat, Winter	350	Oct 5	Nov 15 - Dec 5	Dec 15	May 20	Jun 1 - Jun 15	Jun 30

**Hawaii: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Sugarcane	46	1/					

1/ Hawaii sugarcane is a two year crop with both planting and harvesting taking place on a year round basis. There is normally a lull in harvesting operations during December when mills shut down for cleaning and repairs.

**Idaho: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	730	Mar 24	Apr 7 - May 5	May 26	Jul 28	Aug 11 - Sep 8	Sep 29
Beans, Dry	93	May 12	May 26 - Jun 9	Jun 23	Aug 18	Sep 8 - Oct 6	Oct 20
Corn, for Grain	40	Apr 21	May 5 - May 26	Jun 9	Sep 29	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Nov 24
Corn, for Silage	58	Apr 21	May 5 - May 26	Jun 9	Sep 1	Sep 15 - Oct 6	Oct 27
Hay, Alfalfa	1,000				May 22		Oct 20
Hay, Other	280				Jun 1		Sep 10
Oats, Spring	25	Mar 31	Apr 14 - May 19	Jun 2	Jul 21	Aug 11 - Sep 8	Sep 29
Potatoes	408	Apr 14	Apr 28 - May 19	Jun 9	Sep 1	Sep 22 - Oct 13	Oct 27
Sugarbeets	184	Mar 24	Apr 3 - Apr 21	May 5	Sep 15	Oct 8 - Oct 30	Nov 10
Wheat, Spring	700	Mar 21	Apr 7 - May 3	May 26	Aug 4	Aug 13 - Sep 8	Sep 29
Wheat, Winter	860	Sep 8	Sep 22 - Oct 13	Nov 3	Jul 23	Aug 4 - Aug 25	Sep 14

**Illinois: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	10,800	Apr 22	Apr 30 - May 18	May 28	Sep 24	Oct 9 - Nov 3	Nov 19
Hay, Alfalfa	600				May 13		Sep 25
Hay, Other	400				May 20		Jul 15
Oats, Spring	70	Mar 25	Apr 8 - Apr 23	May 8	Jul 14	Jul 24 - Aug 3	Aug 11
Sorghum, for Grain	220	May 20	Jun 2 - Jun 21	Jun 30	Sep 27	Oct 15 - Nov 3	Nov 17
Soybeans	9,850	May 6	May 15 - Jun 9	Jun 16	Sep 23	Oct 1 - Oct 19	Nov 3
Wheat, Winter	1,100	Sep 29	Oct 13 - Oct 29	Nov 6	Jun 22	Jun 30 - Jul 8	Jul 20

**Indiana: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	5,450	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 10	Sep 20	Oct 10 - Nov 25	Dec 10
Corn, for Silage	100	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 10	Sep 1	Sep 5 - Sep 15	Sep 25
Hay, Alfalfa	425				May 15		Sep 20
Hay, Other	300				Jun 10		Aug 20
Oats, Spring	25	Apr 1	Apr 5 - Apr 25	May 10	Jul 10	Jul 15 - Aug 5	Aug 10
Rye	2	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jun 20	Jun 30 - Jul 20	Jul 25
Soybeans	5,360	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Sep 25	Sep 30 - Oct 25	Nov 5
Tobacco, Type 31	7.6	May 20	May 30 - Jun 15	Jun 25	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 30	Oct 10
Wheat, Winter	720	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Oct 25	Nov 10	Jun 20	Jun 30 - Jul 20	Jul 25

**Iowa: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	12,450	Apr 22	May 2 - May 16	Jun 3	Sep 17	Oct 7 - Oct 31	Nov 17
Corn, for Silage	220	Apr 22	May 2 - May 16	Jun 23	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 20	Sep 25
Hay, Alfalfa	1,200				May 26		Sep 27
Oats, Spring	190	Mar 24	Apr 4 - Apr 23	May 17	Jul 3	Jul 15 - Jul 29	Aug 9
Soybeans	9,450	May 4	May 14 - Jun 2	Jun 17	Sep 21	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Oct 27
Wheat, Winter	45	Sep 6	Sep 26 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jun 24	Jul 6 - Jul 22	Aug 7

**Kansas: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	11	Sep 15	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Nov 1	Jun 10	Jun 15 - Jul 1	Jul 5
Barley, Spring 1/		Mar 1	Mar 5 - Apr 1	May 1	Jun 20	Jun 25 - Jul 1	Jul 10
Beans, Dry	24	May 10	May 20 - Jun 10	Jul 1	Aug 25	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Oct 10
Corn, for Grain	2,350	Apr 10	Apr 25 - May 15	May 25	Sep 5	Sep 20 - Oct 20	Nov 10
Corn, for Silage	130	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 15	Jun 15	Aug 25	Sep 1 - Oct 1	Oct 10
Hay, Alfalfa	800				May 10		Oct 10
Hay, Other	1,700				May 25		Sep 10
Oats, Spring	80	Feb 20	Mar 5 - Apr 1	Apr 15	Jul 10	Jul 15 - Aug 1	Aug 10
Rye	5	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 20	Oct 1	Jun 10	Jun 15 - Jun 25	Jul 5
Sorghum, for Grain	4,600	May 10	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 5	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Nov 5	Nov 30
Sorghum, for Silage	120	May 15	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 15	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Oct 10	Oct 15
Soybeans	2,000	May 10	May 25 - Jun 20	Jul 5	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Oct 25	Nov 15
Sunflowers	275	May 15	May 20 - Jun 1	Jul 5	Sep 25	Oct 1 - Oct 15	Oct 25
Wheat, Winter	8,800	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 10	Oct 25	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 10	Jul 25

1/ "All" acreage estimate published under "Fall" category.

**Kentucky: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	20	Sep 25	Oct 1- Oct 15	Oct 20	Jun 1	Jun 5- Jun 15	Jun 25
Corn, for Grain	1,200	Apr 12	Apr 21 - May 18	Jun 8	Sep 8	Sep 22 - Oct 20	Nov 15
Corn, for Silage	90	Apr 20	May 1 - Jun 10	Jun 25	Aug 20	Aug 25 - Sep 30	Oct 10
Hay, Alfalfa	300				May 5	May 15 - Sep 1	Sep 15
Hay, Other	2,100				May 15	Jun 1 - Sep 1	Oct 10
Sorghum, for Grain	23	May 10	May 15 - Jun 25	Jul 1	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Nov 10	Nov 15
Sorghum, for Silage	1	Apr 25	May 6 - Jun 15	Jun 30	Aug 25	Aug 30 - Oct 5	Oct 15
Soybeans	1,180	May 10	May 25 - Jun 25	Jul 5	Oct 1	Oct 18 - Nov 10	Nov 18
Tobacco, Type 22	3.8	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Tobacco, Type 23	3.6	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Tobacco, Type 31	185.6	May 10	May 23 - Jun 8	Jun 15	Aug 8	Aug 21 - Sep 15	Oct 1
Tobacco, Type 35	2.1	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Tobacco, Type 36	1.2	May 12	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 18 - Sep 10	Oct 1
Wheat, Winter	530	Sep 23	Oct 9 - Nov 2	Nov 20	Jun 12	Jun 20 - Jul 1	Jul 10

**Louisiana: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	532	Mar 10	Mar 19 - Apr 4	Apr 28	Jul 29	Aug 13 - Sep 1	Sep 16
Corn, for Silage	10	Mar 10	Mar 19 - Apr 4	Apr 28	Jul 15	Jul 20 - Aug 15	Aug 20
Cotton	885	Apr 17	Apr 26 - May 16	Jun 2	Sep 15	Sep 28 - Oct 20	Nov 13
Hay, Other	310				Apr 26		Oct 22
Potatoes, Sweet	21	May 5	May 28 - Jun 25	Jul 14	Aug 4	Sep 6 - Oct 6	Nov 24
Rice	533	Mar 20	Apr 3 - May 2	Jun 2	Jul 22	Aug 8 - Sep 6	Oct 8
Sorghum, for Grain	153	Mar 31	Apr 20 - May 22	Jun 23	Aug 12	Aug 25 - Sep 19	Oct 10
Soybeans	1,080	May 5	May 18 - Jun 15	Jul 5	Sep 15	Oct 4 - Oct 31	Nov 20
Sugarcane	370	Aug 20	Sep 1 - Sep 27	Oct 13	Oct 10	Oct 28 - Nov 24	Dec 16
Wheat, Winter	130	Oct 8	Oct 30 - Nov 21	Dec 12	May 14	May 22 - Jun 9	Jun 23

**Maine: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Silage	26	May 7	May 16 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 6	Sep 22 - Oct 13	Oct 23
Hay, Other	175				May 30		Oct 20
Oats, Spring	28	May 7	May 14 - May 26	Jun 9	Aug 10	Aug 23 - Sep 15	Oct 10
Potatoes	77	May 10	May 18 - May 29	Jun 10	Sep 7	Sep 21 - Oct 7	Oct 19

**Maryland: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	49	Sep 17	Oct 1 - Oct 21	Nov 7	Jun 12	Jun 16 - Jun 28	Jul 8
Corn, for Grain	465	Apr 20	Apr 30 - May 20	Jun 7	Sep 9	Sep 22 - Oct 22	Nov 17
Corn, for Silage	60	Apr 20	Apr 30 - May 20	Jun 7	Aug 24	Sep 9 - Oct 1	Oct 14
Hay, Alfalfa	60				May 12		Nov 30
Hay, Other	160				May 10		Nov 19
Potatoes	1.9	Apr 7	Apr 12 - Apr 28	May 10	Jul 1	Jul 20 - Aug 11	Aug 28
Rye	2	Sep 19	Oct 3 - Nov 1	Nov 17	Jun 14	Jun 25 - Jul 14	Jul 25
Soybeans	480	May 11	May 28 - Jun 26	Jul 16	Oct 5	Oct 18 - Nov 15	Dec 1
Tobacco, Type 32	8.0	May 9	May 25 - Jun 4	Jun 24	Aug 7	Aug 21 - Sep 14	Sep 26
Wheat, Winter	227	Oct 5	Oct 17 - Nov 6	Nov 19	Jun 22	Jun 28 - Jul 12	Jul 20

**Massachusetts: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Silage	27	May 1	May 13 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 3	Sep 19 - Oct 16	Oct 29
Tobacco, Type 51	.4	May 23	Jun 1 - Jun 15	Jun 26	Jul 30	Aug 7 - Aug 24	Sep 7
Tobacco, Type 61	.4	May 14	May 20 - May 31	Jun 7	Jul 17	Jul 30 - Aug 21	Sep 3
Potatoes	2.6	Apr 28	May 5 - May 21	Jun 1	Aug 5	Aug 25 - Sep 29	Oct 19
Hay, Other	80				May 20		Oct 30

**Michigan: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	25	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 8	May 21	Jul 26	Aug 3 - Aug 19	Aug 31
Beans, Dry	320	May 29	Jun 6 - Jun 17	Jun 28	Sep 6	Sep 23 - Oct 9	Oct 24
Corn, for Grain	2,300	May 1	May 10 - May 21	May 31	Oct 3	Oct 23 - Nov 17	Dec 3
Corn, for Silage	310	May 1	May 10 - May 21	May 31	Sep 4	Sep 19 - Oct 6	Oct 20
Hay, Alfalfa	950				May 31	Jun 15 - Sep 11	Oct 14
Oats, Spring	60	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 8	May 21	Jul 26	Aug 3 - Aug 19	Aug 31
Potatoes	46	Apr 24	May 7 - May 24	Jun 7	Jul 23	Aug 24 - Oct 7	Oct 23
Soybeans	1,640	May 8	May 18 - Jun 3	Jun 15	Sep 30	Oct 12 - Oct 28	Nov 7
Sugarbeets	130	Apr 25	Apr 30 - May 4	May 13	Oct 6	Oct 17 - Oct 29	Nov 5
Wheat, Winter	630	Sep 13	Sep 25 - Oct 15	Oct 29	Jul 14	Jul 20 - Jul 20	Aug 4

**Minnesota: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	520	Apr 16	Apr 26 - May 27	Jun 5	Jul 26	Aug 8 - Sep 7	Sep 24
Beans, Dry	120	May 9	May 18 - Jun 7	Jun 16	Sep 1	Sep 8 - Oct 10	Oct 19
Corn, for Grain	6,950	Apr 24	May 3 - May 22	Jun 8	Sep 29	Oct 15 - Nov 12	Nov 28
Corn, for Silage	475	Apr 24	May 3 - May 22	Jun 8	Sep 5	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Oct 21
Hay, Alfalfa	1,475				May 31		Sep 30
Hay, Other	750				Jun 5		Aug 30
Oats, Spring	270	Apr 10	Apr 25 - May 14	May 26	Jul 24	Aug 1 - Aug 26	Sep 10
Potatoes	82	Apr 25	May 8 - May 31	Jun 14	Aug 28	Sep 16 - Oct 12	Oct 21
Rye	20	Aug 23	Sep 2 - Sep 27	Oct 9	Jul 15	Jul 28 - Aug 20	Aug 29
Soybeans	5,900	May 6	May 16 - Jun 3	Jun 23	Sep 25	Oct 4 - Oct 21	Oct 30
Sugarbeets	438	Apr 22	Apr 30 - May 20	May 30	Sep 17	Oct 3 - Oct 18	Oct 28
Wheat, Durum	10	Apr 13	Apr 27 - May 25	Jun 3	Jul 31	Aug 12 - Sep 16	Sep 30
Wheat, Spring	2,500	Apr 13	Apr 24 - May 15	May 28	Jul 31	Aug 12 - Sep 9	Sep 30
Wheat, Winter	32	Aug 21	Sep 3 - Sep 26	Oct 7	Jul 18	Aug 1 - Aug 21	Sep 5

**Mississippi: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	605	Mar 27	Mar 31 - Apr 28	Jun 11	Aug 12	Sep 1 - Oct 6	Oct 22
Corn, for Silage	23	Mar 27	Mar 31 - Apr 28	Jun 11	Jul 21	Jul 28 - Sep 1	Sep 22
Cotton	1,100	Apr 14	Apr 28 - May 28	Jun 9	Sep 15	Oct 6 - Nov 3	Nov 17
Hay, Other	800				May 10		Oct 20
Potatoes, Sweet	8.1	Apr 21	May 19 - Jun 23	Jul 7	Aug 12	Sep 1 - Oct 13	Nov 10
Rice	208	Apr 2	Apr 23 - May 28	Jun 9	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Oct 6	Oct 27
Sorghum, for Grain	72	Apr 2	Apr 14 - May 28	Jun 23	Aug 18	Aug 18 - Oct 6	Oct 20
Sorghum, for Silage	2	Apr 2	Apr 14 - May 28	Jun 23	Aug 4	Aug 12 - Sep 15	Oct 6
Soybeans	1,750	Apr 10	Apr 25 - May 25	Jul 1	Aug 15	Sep 15 - Oct 20	Dec 3
Wheat, Winter	230	Sep 24	Oct 8 - Nov 12	Dec 10	May 28	Jun 6 - Jun 23	Jul 7



**Missouri: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	2,650	Apr 5	Apr 20 - May 25	Jun 10	Sep 1	Sep 20 - Oct 30	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	60	Apr 10	Apr 20 - May 25	Jun 10	Aug 15	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Sep 25
Cotton	385	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 1	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Oct 30	Nov 20
Hay, Alfalfa	480				May 15		Sep 15
Hay, Other	3,200				May 20		Sep 10
Oats, Spring	29	Mar 1	Mar 15 - Apr 20	Apr 30	Jun 20	Jul 1 - Jul 25	Aug 1
Potatoes	7.1	Mar 1	Mar 5 - Mar 25	Apr 5	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 15	Aug 25
Rice	90	Apr 15	May 1 - May 25	Jun 10	Sep 10	Sep 25 - Oct 25	Nov 1
Sorghum, for Grain	580	Apr 25	May 15 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Sep 10	Sep 25 - Oct 30	Nov 25
Sorghum, for Silage	10	May 1	May 20 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Aug 15	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 10
Soybeans	4,050	May 5	May 15 - Jul 1	Jul 10	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Nov 25
Tobacco, Type 31	2.7	May 10	May 15 - May 30	Jun 15	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Sep 25
Wheat, Winter	1,250	Sep 20	Oct 10 - Nov 1	Nov 20	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 10	Jul 20

**Montana: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	1,200	Apr 7	Apr 21 - May 14	Jun 1	Aug 4	Aug 15 - Sep 6	Sep 28
Beans, Dry	10.3	May 1	May 15 - May 31	Jun 11	Aug 28	Sep 10 - Sep 24	Oct 8
Corn, for Grain	15	Apr 19	May 1 - May 25	Jun 8	Sep 15	Sep 20 - Oct 5	Oct 15
Corn, for Silage	39	Apr 19	May 1 - May 25	Jun 8	Aug 30	Sep 13 - Sep 29	Oct 14
Hay, Alfalfa	1,700				Jun 13		Sep 24
Hay, Other	900				Jun 15		Sep 1
Oats, Spring	50	Apr 10	Apr 26 - May 18	Jun 3	Aug 6	Aug 16 - Sep 6	Sep 26
Potatoes	10.2	Apr 27	May 12 - Jun 1	Jun 11	Sep 17	Sep 27 - Oct 15	Oct 28
Sugarbeets	57.5	Apr 9	Apr 19 - May 6	May 16	Sep 24	Oct 9 - Oct 20	Nov 2
Wheat, Durum	280	Apr 8	Apr 22 - May 13	May 29	Aug 7	Aug 16 - Sep 6	Sep 27
Wheat, Spring	4,100	Apr 8	Apr 22 - May 13	May 29	Aug 7	Aug 16 - Sep 6	Sep 27
Wheat, Winter	1,980	Sep 7	Sep 19 - Oct 6	Oct 23	Jul 28	Aug 6 - Aug 23	Sep 8

**Nebraska: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	17	Mar 20	Mar 25 - Apr 10	Apr 18	Jul 18	Jul 20 - Jul 25	Jul 30
Beans, Dry	195	May 26	Jun 9 - Jun 16	Jun 23	Sep 8	Sep 15 - Sep 29	Oct 13
Corn, for Grain	8,300	Apr 21	May 3 - May 19	Jun 1	Sep 21	Oct 11 - Nov 6	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	125	Apr 21	May 3 - May 19	June 1	Aug 25	Sep 5 - Sep 25	Oct 10
Hay, Alfalfa	1,400				May 10		Oct 5
Hay, Other	1,850				Jun 5		Sep 20
Oats, Spring	105	Mar 24	Apr 2 - Apr 27	May 9	Jul 4	Jul 15 - Aug 2	Aug 12
Rye	22	Aug 30	Sep 12 - Sep 26	Oct 6	Jun 30	Jul 12 - Jul 30	Aug 8
Sorghum, for Grain	1,030	May 11	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 19	Sep 19	Oct 8 - Oct 30	Nov 17
Sorghum, for Silage	60	May 11	May 20 - Jun 8	Jun 19	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 10
Soybeans	3,010	May 9	May 18 - Jun 4	Jun 17	Sep 19	Sep 30 - Oct 15	Oct 27
Sugarbeets	51.2	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 30	May 5	Oct 5	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Nov 5
Wheat, Winter	2,100	Aug 30	Sep 12 - Sep 26	Oct 6	Jun 26	Jul 7 - Jul 26	Aug 8

**Nevada: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Alfalfa Seed	13				Aug 20	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Sep 20
Barley, Fall 1/		Sep 5	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Oct 20	Jul 10	Jul 15 - Aug 15	Aug 25
Barley, Spring	5	Apr 5	Apr 15 - May 15	May 20	Jul 20	Jul 25 - Aug 25	Sep 5
Hay, Alfalfa	240				May 20		Oct 15
Hay, Other	250				Jun 15		Sep 15
Wheat, Spring	10	Apr 5	Apr 15 - May 15	May 20	Jul 20	Aug 1 - Aug 25	Sep 5
Wheat, Winter	9	Sep 5	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Oct 20	Jul 15	Jul 20 - Aug 20	Aug 25

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**New Hampshire: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Silage	15	May 4	May 16 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 6	Sep 22 - Oct 13	Oct 26
Hay, Other	55				May 25		Oct 25

**New Jersey: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	3	Sep 14	Oct 1 - Oct 14	Oct 21	Jun 7	Jun 21 - Jul 10	Jun 14
Corn, for Grain	94	May 7	May 28 - Jun 20	Jun 28	Oct 1	Oct 30 - Nov 10	Nov 28
Corn, for Silage	14	May 14	Jun 7 - Jun 25	Jun 30	Sep 7	Sep 21 - Oct 1	Nov 28
Hay, Alfalfa	25				May 14		Oct 15
Hay, Other	95				Jun 7		Oct 15
Potatoes, Sweet	1.2	May 1	May 14 - May 31	May 31	Sep 14	Sep 28 - Nov 1	Nov 14
Potatoes	2.5	Mar 14	Apr 21 - May 30	May 30	Jun 21	Jul 1 - Aug 30	Oct 15
Rye	3	Sep 1	Oct 14 - Nov 14	Nov 14	Jul 7	Jul 21 - Aug 1	Aug 7
Soybeans	119	May 30	Jun 14 - Jul 14	Jul 14	Oct 1	Oct 21 - Nov 10	Nov 30
Wheat, Winter	38	Sep 14	Oct 14 Nov 14	Nov 14	Jul 1	Jul 28 - Aug 1	Aug 14

**New Mexico: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Beans, Dry	12	May 15	May 20 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Aug 15	Sep 1 - Sep 30	Oct 15
Corn, for Grain	84	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Sep 25	Oct 1 - Oct 30	Nov 20
Corn, for Silage	44	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Oct 1	Nov 1
Cotton	69	Apr 10	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Oct 10	Oct 25 - Nov 30	Dec 20
Hay, Alfalfa	255				May 1		Oct 20
Hay, Other	100				May 1		Oct 20
Peanuts	16.5	May 10	May 15 - May 25	Jun 1	Oct 1	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Nov 10
Potatoes, Fall	6.7	Apr 20	Apr 25 - May 5	May 10	Sep 1	Sep 25 - Oct 10	Oct 20
Potatoes, Summer	3.9	Mar 5	Mar 10 - Mar 20	Apr 1	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Aug 30	Sep 15
Sorghum, for Grain	225	May 10	May 20 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Oct 15	Oct 20 - Nov 15	Dec 15
Sorghum, for Silage	6	May 10	May 20 - Jun 10	Jun 20	Sep 5	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Nov 1
Sugarbeets	.9	Mar 25	Apr 5 - Apr 25	May 5	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Dec 1
Wheat, Winter	110	Aug 25	Sep 10 - Sep 24	Oct 15	Jun 15	Jun 20 - Jul 10	Jul 15

**New York: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Beans, Dry	29	Jun 1	Jun 15 - Jun 30	Jul 10	Sep 1	Sep 15 - Sep 30	Oct 15
Corn, for Grain	630	Apr 25	May 5 - May 25	Jun 5	Oct 10	Oct 20 - Nov 20	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	510	Apr 25	May 5 - May 25	Jun 15	Sep 5	Sep 10 - Oct 1	Oct 15
Hay, Alfalfa	640				May 25		Nov 1
Hay, Other	870				May 25		Oct 15
Oats, Spring	75	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 30	May 15	Aug 1	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 10
Potatoes, Fall	28.5	Mar 25	May 15 - May 25	Jun 15	Jul 15	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Nov 5
Rye	8	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Oct 10	Oct 25	Jul 5	Jul 10 - Jul 15	Jul 20
Wheat, Winter	150	Sep 10	Sep 15 - Oct 5	Nov 1	Jul 15	Jul 20 - Jul 30	Aug 5

### North Carolina: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	20	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 10	Dec 1	May 25	Jun 9 - Jun 30	Jul 25
Corn, for Grain	900	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 25	May 20	Aug 20	Sep 10 - Oct 7	Nov 7
Corn, for Silage	80	Apr 1	Apr 10 - Apr 25	May 20	Aug 1	Aug 18 - Sep 20	Oct 20
Cotton	710	Apr 21	May 1 - May 20	Jun 8	Sep 27	Oct 7 - Nov 15	Dec 15
Hay, Alfalfa	15				Apr 30		Nov 17
Hay, Other	525				Apr 30		Nov 17
Oats, Fall	20	Sep 15	Oct 15 - Nov 24	Dec 10	May 28	Jun 9 - Jul 3	Jul 20
Peanuts	125	Apr 28	May 8 - May 28	Jun 2	Sep 24	Oct 8 - Oct 29	Nov 14
Potatoes	18.2	Mar 4	Mar 10 - Apr 7	Apr 28	Jun 9	Jun 23 - Jul 14	Aug 7
Potatoes, Sweet	31	May 5	May 19 - Jun 16	Jul 14	Sep 1	Sep 24 - Nov 4	Nov 20
Rye	20	Sep 20	Oct 7 - Nov 5	Dec 5	May 28	Jun 5 - Jul 7	Jul 28
Sorghum, for Grain	10	May 5	May 25 - Jun 16	Jul 14	Aug 14	Oct 1 - Oct 22	Nov 26
Soybeans	1,200	May 1	May 20 - Jun 30	Jul 18	Oct 10	Nov 12 - Dec 3	Dec 20
Tobacco, Type 11	76	Apr 30	May 7 - May 25	Jun 5	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Sep 5	Oct 10
Tobacco, Type 12	167	Apr 18	Apr 30 - May 12	Jun 2	Jul 5	Jul 30 - Aug 30	Sep 25
Tobacco, Type 13	37	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 10	May 31	Jul 1	Jul 21 - Aug 21	Sep 15
Tobacco, Type 31	7.8	May 13	May 20 - Jun 7	Jun 30	Aug 18	Sep 1 - Sep 22	Oct 13
Wheat, Winter	590	Sep 20	Oct 15 - Nov 20	Dec 20	May 29	Jun 9 - Jun 30	Jul 25

### North Dakota: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	2,600	Apr 21	May 2 - May 15	May 26	Jul 30	Aug 8 - Aug 23	Sep 6
Beans, Dry	570	May 15	May 21 - Jun 1	Jun 8	Sep 2	Sep 12 - Sep 30	Oct 15
Corn, for Grain	720	May 3	May 13 - May 26	Jun 5	Sep 29	Oct 10 - Oct 27	Nov 9
Corn, for Silage	170	May 3	May 13 - May 26	Jun 5	Aug 31	Sep 12 - Sep 28	Oct 10
Flaxseed	77	May 8	May 18 - May 31	Jun 10	Aug 25	Sep 8 - Sep 27	Oct 13
Hay, Alfalfa	1,700				Jun 12		Sep 6
Hay, Other	1,200				Jun 18		Aug 26
Oats, Spring	380	Apr 22	May 2 - May 17	May 28	Aug 2	Aug 11 - Aug 27	Sep 10
Potatoes	131	May 5	May 13 - May 24	Jun 1	Aug 31	Sep 14 - Sep 30	Oct 12
Rye	16	Sep 7	Sep 14 - Sep 21	Sep 30	Jul 10	Jul 14 - Jul 24	Aug 1
Soybeans	845	May 12	May 19 - May 29	Jun 6	Sep 16	Sep 26 - Oct 11	Oct 22
Sugarbeets	225.3	Apr 22	Apr 29 - May 10	May 16	Sep 18	Oct 5 - Oct 13	Oct 20
Sunflowers	1,165	May 15	May 23 - Jun 4	Jun 13	Oct 1	Oct 11 - Oct 24	Nov 7
Wheat, Durum	2,940	Apr 26	May 7 - May 21	May 31	Aug 9	Aug 21 - Sep 9	Sep 22
Wheat, Spring	9,500	Apr 19	May 1 - May 16	May 27	Aug 4	Aug 14 - Sep 1	Sep 14
Wheat, Winter	75	Sep 7	Sep 14 - Sep 21	Sep 30	Jul 10	Jul 14 - Jul 24	Aug 1

**Ohio: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	2,750	Apr 22	May 1 - May 30	Jun 12	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 14	Nov 25
Corn, for Silage	130	Apr 22	May 1 - May 30	Jun 12	Sep 1	Sep 15 - Oct 14	Oct 30
Hay, Alfalfa	700				May 20		Sep 30
Hay, Other	500				May 23		Oct 4
Oats, Spring	90	Apr 3	Apr 15 - May 10	May 24	Jul 16	Jul 26 - Aug 12	Aug 22
Potatoes	5.1	Apr 18	Apr 30 - May 21	Jun 4	Jul 30	Aug 22 - Oct 5	Oct 25
Rye	3	Sep 10	Sep 15 - Oct 14	Oct 20	Jun 25	Jul 1 - Jul 15	Jul 20
Soybeans	4,490	May 5	May 10 - Jun 7	Jun 23	Sep 21	Oct 1 - Oct 22	Nov 10
Sugarbeets	4.6	Apr 15	Apr 20 - May 15	May 30	Sep 25	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Nov 20
Tobacco, Type 31	8.0	Jun 1	Jun 7 - Jun 21	Jul 5	Aug 30	Sep 5 - Sep 20	Oct 5
Wheat, Winter	1,300	Sep 24	Oct 1 - Oct 21	Nov 2	Jul 1	Jul 5 - Jul 28	Aug 4

**Oklahoma: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	3	Sep 12	Oct 3 - Oct 29	Nov 21	Jun 6	Jun 17 - Jun 30	Jul 10
Corn, for Grain	170	Mar 25	Apr 18 - May 4	May 15	Aug 25	Sep 8 - Oct 1	Oct 20
Corn, for Silage	20	Mar 25	Apr 18 - May 4	May 15	Aug 25	Sep 8 - Oct 1	Oct 20
Cotton	210	May 6	May 20 - Jun 12	Jun 29	Oct 11	Nov 4 - Nov 29	Dec 15
Hay, Alfalfa	390				Apr 23		Oct 13
Hay, Other	2,300				Apr 23		Aug 20
Oats, Fall	18	Sep 12	Oct 1 - Nov 1	Nov 30	Jun 6	Jun 17 - Jul 2	Jul 12
Peanuts	81	May 7	May 19 - Jun 14	Jun 29	Sep 29	Oct 14 - Nov 8	Nov 28
Rye	60	Sep 5	Sep 5 - Oct 15	Oct 15	Jun 10	Jun 10 - Jun 15	Jun 15
Sorghum, for Grain	490	Apr 30	May 27 - Jun 17	Jul 5	Sep 21	Oct 23 - Nov 17	Dec 6
Sorghum, for Silage	8	Apr 30	May 1 - Jul 5	Jul 5	Aug 5	Aug 5 - Sep 10	Sep 15
Soybeans	285	Apr 20	May 18 - Jun 22	Jul 9	Sep 17	Oct 14 - Nov 17	Dec 9
Wheat, Winter	4,900	Sep 3	Sep 22 - Oct 12	Nov 2	Jun 5	Jun 15 - Jun 25	Jul 5

**Oregon: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, All	150	Sep 1	Mar 30 - May 15	May 15	Jul 10	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 1
Corn, for Grain	33	Apr 20	May 20 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Oct 10	Nov 1 - Nov 20	Dec 15
Corn, for Silage	30	May 5	May 25 - Jun 10	Jun 10	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 20	Sep 30
Hay, Alfalfa	460				May 5		Sep 20
Hay, Other	610				Jun 5		Sep 1
Oats, All	35	Sep 15	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Apr 15	Jul 10	Aug 10 - Aug 20	Sep 1
Potatoes	64	Mar 15	Apr 15 - May 14	May 15	Jul 15	Oct 10 - Oct 20	Nov 15
Sugarbeets	16.3	Mar 15	Mar 22 - Mar 30	Mar 30	Oct 1	Oct 10 - Oct 20	Oct 30
Wheat, Spring	105	Mar 1	Mar 25 - Apr 15	Apr 15	Aug 1	Aug 15 - Sep 10	Sep 15
Wheat, Winter	850	Sep 15	Oct 10 - Nov 10	Nov 10	Jul 15	Jul 30 - Aug 20	Sep 1

**Pennsylvania: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	75	Aug 25	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 25	Jun 20	Jun 25 - Jul 20	Aug 10
Corn, for Grain	1,070	Apr 30	May 10 - May 25	Jun 15	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 20	Dec 10
Corn, for Silage	370	Apr 30	May 10 - May 25	Jun 30	Aug 30	Sep 10 - Oct 10	Nov 5
Hay, Alfalfa	750				May 15		Nov 15
Hay, Other	1,130				May 30		Sep 25
Oats, Spring	135	Apr 15	Apr 15 - May 10	May 25	Jul 20	Jul 25 - Aug 20	Aug 30
Potatoes	16.5	Apr 10	Apr 30 - May 25	Jun 10	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Oct 10	Oct 30
Rye	6	Aug 30	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jul 5	Jul 10 - Jul 30	Aug 10
Soybeans	285	May 10	May 20 - Jun 10	Jul 5	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 10	Nov 30
Tobacco, Type 32	3.2	May 25	May 30 - Jun 15	Jun 25	Aug 10	Aug 20 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Tobacco, Type 41	4.6	May 25	May 30 - Jun 15	Jun 25	Aug 10	Aug 20 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Wheat, Winter	190	Aug 30	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 30	Jul 5	Jul 10 - Jul 30	Aug 10

**Rhode Island: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Silage	2	May 1	May 13 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 3	Sep 19 - Oct 16	Oct 29
Hay, Other	6				May 20		Oct 30
Potatoes	1	Apr 30	May 7 - May 23	Jun 5	Aug 14	Aug 28 - Sep 30	Oct 15

### South Carolina: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	4	Oct 7	Oct 20 - Nov 20	Dec 15	May 25	Jun 5 - Jun 24	Jul 18
Corn, for Grain	380	Mar 10	Mar 20 - Apr 20	May 15	Jul 25	Aug 20 - Sep 25	Oct 10
Cotton	282	Apr 24	May 1 - May 20	Jun 1	Sep 23	Oct 15 - Nov 13	Dec 5
Hay, Other	280				May 15		Nov 13
Oats, Fall	30	Sep 23	Oct 15 - Nov 20	Dec 15	May 25	Jun 3 - Jun 20	Jul 3
Peanuts	10.5	Apr 20	Apr 25 - May 15	Jun 5	Sep 8	Oct 2 - Nov 1	Nov 10
Potatoes, Sweet	1.6	Apr 11	May 12 - Jun 15	Jul 5	Aug 20	Sep 25 - Nov 6	Dec 8
Rye	20	Sep 23	Oct 10 - Nov 20	Dec 13	May 23	Jun 8 - Jun 28	Jul 10
Sorghum, for Grain	5	Apr 25	May 25 - Jun 30	Jul 25	Jul 28	Sep 3 - Nov 6	Dec 7
Soybeans	540	May 10	May 27 - Jun 27	Jul 11	Oct 20	Nov 10 - Dec 10	Dec 30
Tobacco, Type 13	51	Apr 2	Apr 9 - Apr 30	May 10	Jun 30	Jul 18 - Aug 26	Sep 20
Wheat, Winter	270	Oct 15	Nov 11 - Dec 15	Dec 31	May 26	Jun 6 - Jun 25	Jul 1

### South Dakota: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	145	Apr 6	Apr 17 - May 5	May 20	Jul 12	Jul 23 - Aug 8	Aug 20
Corn, for Grain	3,700	May 1	May 9 - May 25	Jun 11	Sep 24	Oct 10 - Nov 6	Nov 30
Corn, for Silage	270	May 1	May 9 - May 25	Jun 11	Sep 2	Sep 17 - Oct 13	Oct 26
Hay, Alfalfa	2,500				Jun 1	Jun 13 - Aug 19	Sep 1
Hay, Other	1,800				Jun 15	Jun 29 - Aug 18	Sep 1
Oats, Spring	360	Apr 4	Apr 15 - May 4	May 21	Jul 10	Jul 21 - Aug 7	Aug 20
Rye	36	Aug 30	Sep 9 - Sep 24	Oct 7	Jul 9	Jul 20 - Aug 4	Aug 15
Sorghum, for Grain	145	May 14	May 26 - Jun 14	Jul 2	Sep 22	Oct 6 - Oct 29	Nov 16
Sorghum, for Silage	60	May 14	May 26 - Jun 14	Jul 2	Sep 2	Sep 17 - Oct 13	Oct 26
Soybeans	2,670	May 10	May 20 - Jun 6	Jun 26	Sep 21	Oct 1 - Oct 23	Nov 5
Wheat, Spring	2,250	Apr 3	Apr 14 - May 2	May 17	Jul 15	Jul 27 - Aug 13	Aug 30
Wheat, Winter	1,580	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 23	Oct 7	Jul 6	Jul 15 - Jul 31	Aug 12

**Tennessee: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	680	Apr 5	Apr 15 - May 1	Jun 1	Sep 1	Sep 20 - Oct 15	Nov 10
Corn, for Silage	75	Apr 15	Apr 25 - May 10	Jun 10	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 20	Oct 10
Cotton	530	Apr 25	May 5 - May 20	Jun 5	Sep 20	Oct 5 - Nov 1	Nov 25
Hay, Alfalfa	40				May 1		Oct 1
Hay, Other	1,750				May 1		Oct 1
Sorghum, for Grain	18	Apr 15	May 10 - Jun 5	Jun 25	Sep 1	Sep 15 - Oct 10	Nov 1
Sorghum, for Silage	5	Apr 25	May 20 - Jun 5	Jun 25	Aug 20	Sep 1 - Sep 30	Oct 15
Soybeans	1,150	May 10	May 30 - Jun 25	Jul 10	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 15	Dec 5
Tobacco, Type 22	7.5	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Tobacco, Type 23	.6	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Tobacco, Type 31	46	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 5	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Tobacco, Type 35	.5	May 5	May 15 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 10	Aug 25 - Sep 15	Oct 5
Wheat, Winter	400	Sep 25	Oct 15 - Nov 10	Nov 30	Jun 10	Jun 15 - Jun 30	Jul 10

**Texas: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	11	Sep 10	Oct 1 - Nov 15	Dec 1	May 20	Jun 5 - Jun 20	Jul 1
Corn, for Grain	1,800	Feb 28	Mar 20 - Apr 29	May 15	Jul 16	Aug 6 - Sep 24	Nov 1
Corn, for Silage	70	Feb 28	Mar 20 - Apr 29	May 15	Jul 5	Jul 20 - Sep 5	Oct 15
Cotton	4,136	Mar 10	May 5 - Jun 6	Jun 30	Aug 10	Oct 1 - Dec 2	Dec 28
Hay, Alfalfa	150				Apr 15		Sep 20
Hay, Other	4,200				May 1		Sep 30
Oats, Fall	100	Sep 10	Sep 29 - Nov 14	Dec 21	May 18	Jun 5 - Jul 5	Jul 25
Peanuts	265	May 7	May 29 - Jun 31	Jul 18	Sep 7	Oct 10 - Nov 22	Dec 20
Rice	298	Mar 22	Apr 5 - May 4	May 26	Jul 22	Aug 10 - Sep 11	Oct 15
Rye	10	Sep 1	Sep 25 - Oct 20	Nov 15	May 15	Jun 5 - Jun 20	Jul 1
Sorghum, for Grain	3,800	Mar 3	Mar 22 - May 23	Jul 5	Jul 5	Jul 19 - Oct 10	Nov 26
Sorghum, for Silage	50	Mar 3	Mar 22 - May 23	Jul 5	Jul 1	Jul 15 - Oct 1	Nov 7
Soybeans	270	Apr 16	May 3 - Jun 14	Jul 16	Aug 13	Sep 10 - Nov 1	Dec 3
Sugarbeets	12.6	Mar 27	Apr 8 - Apr 25	May 7	Oct 3	Oct 21 - Dec 1	Dec 24
Sugarcane	34.9				Oct 10	Nov 1 - Mar 1	Apr 15
Wheat, Winter	2,900	Aug 31	Sep 16 - Oct 21	Dec 3	May 25	Jun 10 - Jun 30	Jul 7



**Utah: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	100	Mar 20	Apr 1 - Apr 20	May 10	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 15	Sep 1
Beans, Dry	.6	May 10	May 15 - May 25	Jun 1	Sep 1	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 20
Corn, for Grain	21	Apr 15	Apr 30 - May 20	Jun 5	Sep 25	Oct 10 - Oct 30	Dec 10
Corn, for Silage	42	May 1	May 5 - May 25	Jun 5	Sep 5	Sep 20 - Oct 5	Oct 20
Hay, Alfalfa	545				Jun 1		Oct 25
Hay, Other	160				Jul 10		Aug 25
Oats, Spring	9	Mar 20	Apr 10 - May 5	Jun 1	Jul 25	Aug 15 - Sep 10	Sep 30
Potatoes	4.2	Apr 25	May 10 - Jun 10	Jun 20	Aug 25	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Oct 30
Wheat, Spring	28	Mar 20	Apr 1 - Apr 20	May 1	Jul 15	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 5
Wheat, Winter	160	Aug 20	Aug 25 - Oct 5	Oct 20	Jul 10	Jul 25 - Aug 10	Aug 25

**Vermont: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Silage	76	May 7	May 16 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 6	Sep 22 - Oct 13	Oct 23
Hay, Other	185				May 30		Oct 20

**Virginia: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Fall	75	Sep 10	Oct 5 - Oct 30	Nov 25	May 30	Jun 10 - Jun 25	Jul 15
Corn, for Grain	310	Apr 5	Apr 20 - May 20	Jun 5	Aug 25	Sep 5 - Oct 25	Nov 20
Corn, for Silage	130	Apr 5	Apr 20 - May 25	Jun 10	Aug 5	Aug 30 - Oct 1	Oct 20
Cotton	102	Apr 10	Apr 20 - May 10	May 20	Sep 30	Oct 25 - Nov 25	Dec 10
Hay, Alfalfa	130				May 1		Oct 20
Hay, Other	1,150				May 25		Oct 1
Peanuts	76	Apr 20	May 5 - May 20	May 25	Sep 15	Oct 5 - Oct 25	Nov 5
Rye	10	Aug 20	Aug 25 - Nov 20	Nov 30	Jun 5	Jun 10 - Jun 25	Jul 5
Soybeans	480	Apr 30	May 20 - Jun 30	Jul 10	Oct 5	Oct 25 - Nov 25	Dec 10
Tobacco, Type 11	37.7	Apr 30	May 5 - May 20	May 30	Jul 15	Aug 15 - Sep 20	Oct 10
Tobacco, Type 21	1.1	May 5	May 15 - May 30	Jun 10	Aug 5	Aug 20 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Tobacco, Type 31	9.5	May 10	May 20 - Jun 5	Jun 25	Aug 25	Sep 5 - Sep 25	Oct 5
Tobacco, Type 37	.1	May 10	May 15 - May 30	Jun 10	Aug 10	Aug 20 - Sep 15	Sep 30
Wheat, Winter	275	Sep 25	Oct 20 - Nov 15	Nov 30	Jun 5	Jun 20 - Jul 15	Jul 25

**Washington: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	440	Mar 1	Apr 1 - Apr 30	May 20	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Aug 30	Sep 15
Beans, Dry	35	May 10	May 25 - Jun 5	Jun 20	Aug 25	Sep 15 - Oct 5	Oct 25
Corn, for Grain	120	Apr 15	May 1 - May 20	Jun 5	Oct 5	Oct 20 - Nov 20	Dec 1
Corn, for Silage	50	Apr 15	May 1 - May 20	Jun 5	Aug 10	Sep 10 - Oct 10	Oct 25
Hay, Alfalfa	490				May 15	Jun 1 - Sep 5	Oct 1
Hay, Other	310				May 15	Jun 1 - Aug 20	Sep 15
Oats, Spring	14	Mar 5	Mar 10 - Apr 10	Apr 20	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Aug 30	Sep 10
Peas, Dry Edible	108	Apr 1	Apr 10 - May 5	May 20	Jul 15	Aug 1 - Aug 31	Sep 15
Potatoes	161	Mar 15	Apr 10 - May 5	May 15	Jul 15	Sep 15 - Oct 15	Nov 5
Sugarbeets	13	Mar 5	Mar 22 - Mar 30	Mar 30	Oct 1	Oct 10 - Oct 20	Oct 30
Wheat, Spring	395	Mar 1	Mar 25 - Apr 25	May 15	Jul 20	Aug 5 - Aug 30	Sep 15
Wheat, Winter	2,350	Sep 1	Sep 5 - Oct 5	Oct 30	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 20	Sep 5

**West Virginia: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Corn, for Grain	40	Apr 25	May 1 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 25	Nov 25
Corn, for Silage	20	Apr 25	May 1 - Jun 1	Jun 15	Aug 25	Sep 1 - Sep 20	Oct 15
Hay, Alfalfa	40				May 25		Sep 25
Hay, Other	530				Jun 1		Oct 10
Oats, Spring	3	Apr 1	Apr 10 - May 10	Jun 1	Jul 1	Jul 20 - Aug 15	Sep 1
Tobacco, Type 31	1.7	May 15	May 20 - Jun 15	Jul 1	Aug 15	Aug 20 - Sep 20	Oct 5
Wheat, Winter	11	Sep 20	Oct 10 - Nov 5	Nov 20	Jun 25	Jul 5 - Aug 1	Aug 10

**Wisconsin: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	75	Apr 5	Apr 10 - May 10	May 15	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 20	Sep 1
Corn, for Grain	3,000	Apr 25	May 1 - Jun 5	Jun 10	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 15	Nov 30
Corn, for Silage	865	Apr 25	May 1 - Jun 5	Jun 10	Sep 10	Sep 20 - Oct 15	Nov 1
Hay, Alfalfa	2,100				Jun 1		Sep 30
Hay, Other	400				Jun 10		Sep 30
Oats, Spring	300	Apr 1	Apr 10 - May 20	May 25	Jul 20	Jul 30 - Aug 25	Sep 5
Potatoes	81	Mar 25	Apr 5 - Apr 25	May 1	Jul 20	Aug 15 - Oct 1	Oct 10
Rye	12	Aug 15	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 1	Jul 5	Jul 15 - Aug 5	Aug 10
Soybeans	870	May 5	May 15 - Jun 20	Jun 30	Oct 1	Oct 15 - Nov 1	Nov 10
Tobacco, Type 54	1.9	May 15	Jun 1 - Jun 30	Jul 5	Aug 15	Aug 25 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Tobacco, Type 55	1.0	May 15	Jun 1 - Jun 30	Jul 5	Aug 15	Aug 25 - Sep 10	Sep 25
Wheat, Spring	10	Apr 5	Apr 10 - May 10	May 15	Jul 25	Aug 5 - Aug 25	Sep 1
Wheat, Winter	125	Sep 5	Sep 10 - Sep 30	Oct 5	Jul 15	Jul 25 - Aug 15	Aug 20

**Wyoming: Usual Planting and Harvesting Dates, by Crop**

Crop	1996 Harvested Acres (000)	Usual Planting Dates			Usual Harvesting Dates		
		Begin	Most Active	End	Begin	Most Active	End
Barley, Spring	120	Mar 15	Mar 28 - Apr 28	May 28	Jul 29	Aug 8 - Aug 31	Sep 21
Beans, Dry	34	May 8	May 27 - Jun 11	Jun 19	Aug 31	Sep 12 - Oct 2	Oct 15
Corn, for Grain	50	Apr 22	May 3 - May 21	Jun 10	Sep 24	Oct 11 - Nov 9	Dec 5
Corn, for Silage	33	Apr 22	May 3 - May 21	Jun 10	Sep 4	Sep 12 - Sep 29	Oct 11
Hay, Alfalfa	620				Jun 11		Oct 1
Hay, Other	600				Jun 19		Sep 2
Oats, Spring	32	Mar 28	Apr 15 - May 14	Jun 1	Jul 29	Aug 15 - Sep 10	Sep 26
Sugarbeets	56.8	Apr 3	Apr 12 - Apr 29	May 11	Sep 21	Oct 8 - Oct 24	Nov 2
Wheat, Spring	26	Mar 27	Apr 14 - May 15	Jun 3	Aug 1	Aug 12 - Sep 8	Sep 25
Wheat, Winter	210	Aug 23	Sep 4 - Sep 20	Oct 2	Jul 13	Jul 24 - Aug 12	Sep 3